ATTACK ON TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL
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Chapter 1:
The Titan's Son

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WAS THAT...
...A HUMAN HEAD?!
...!
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HEATH...
HEAAA
AATH!!

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OH... OHHH...
OHHHH...
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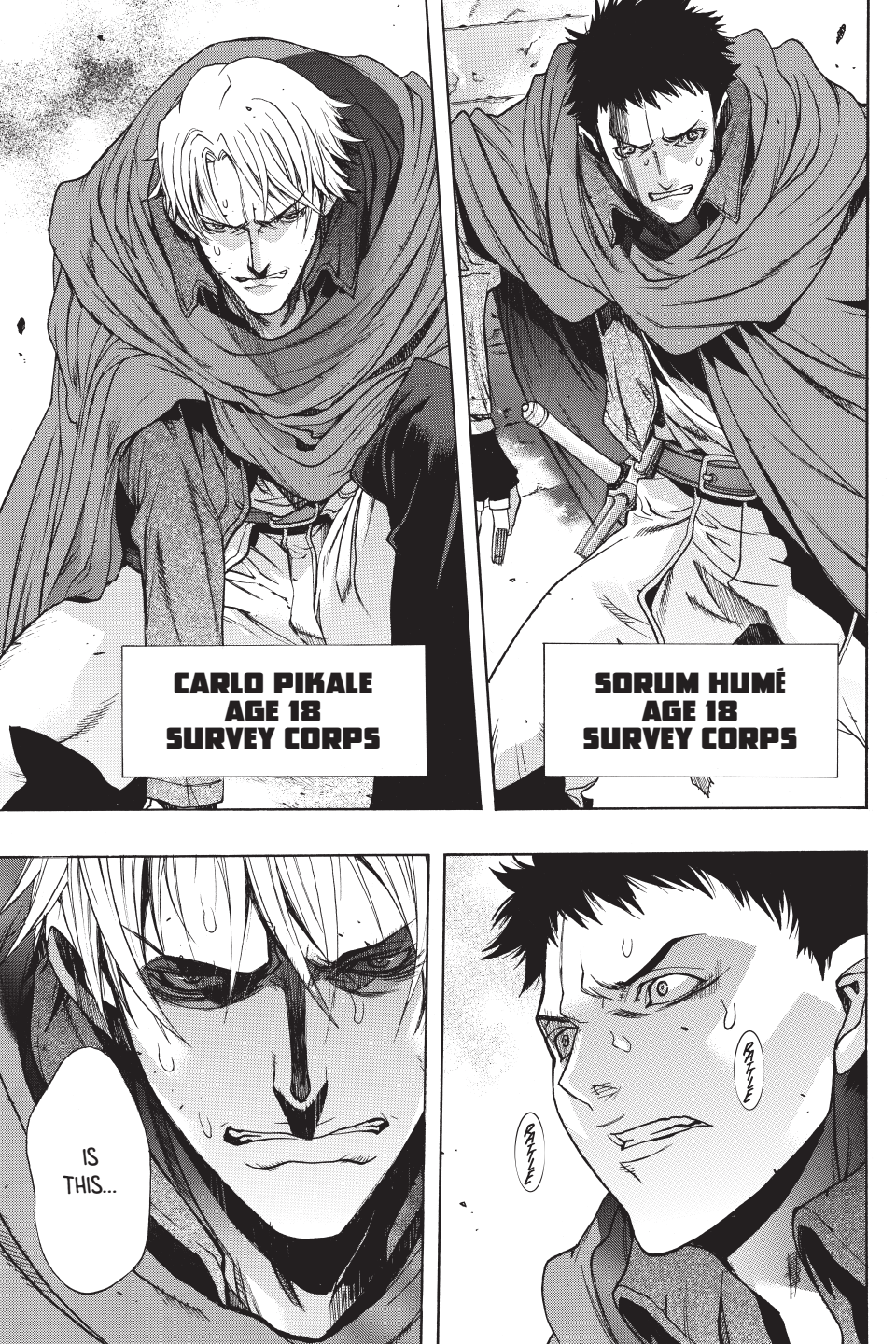
CARLO PIKALE
AGE 18
SURVEY CORPS
SORUM HUMÉ
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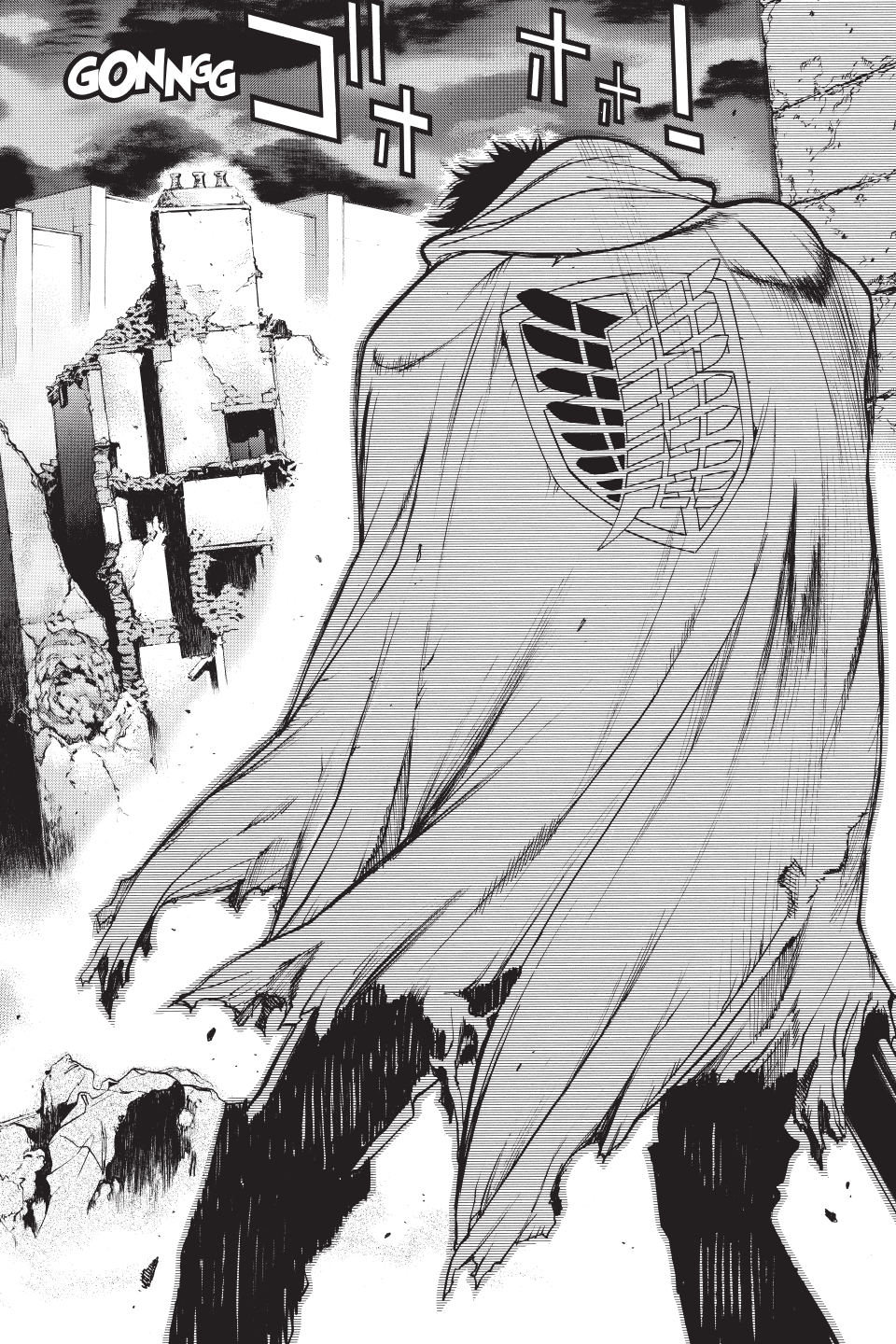
SURVEY CORPS
IS THIS...
GASP
GASP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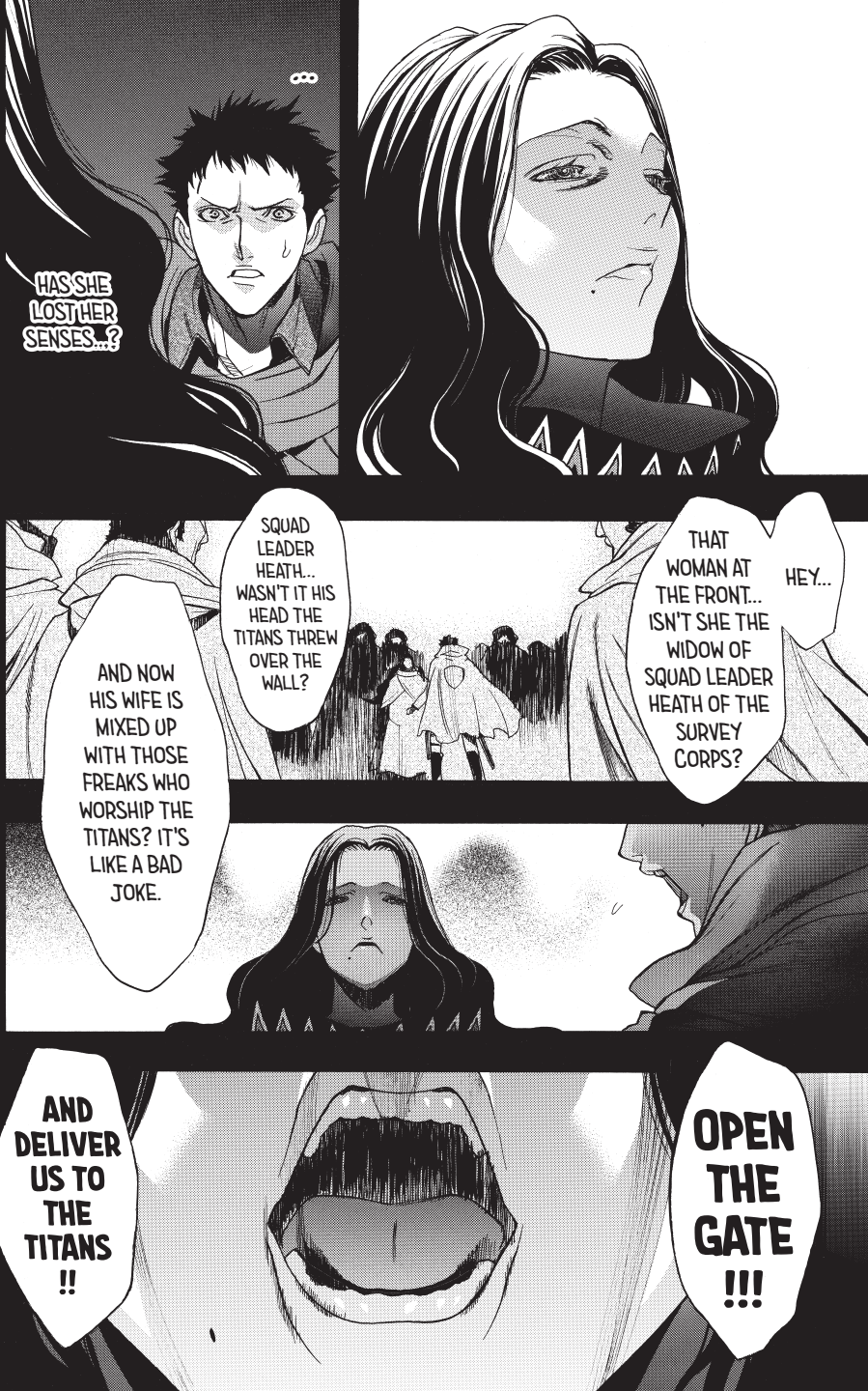
...HELL
?!

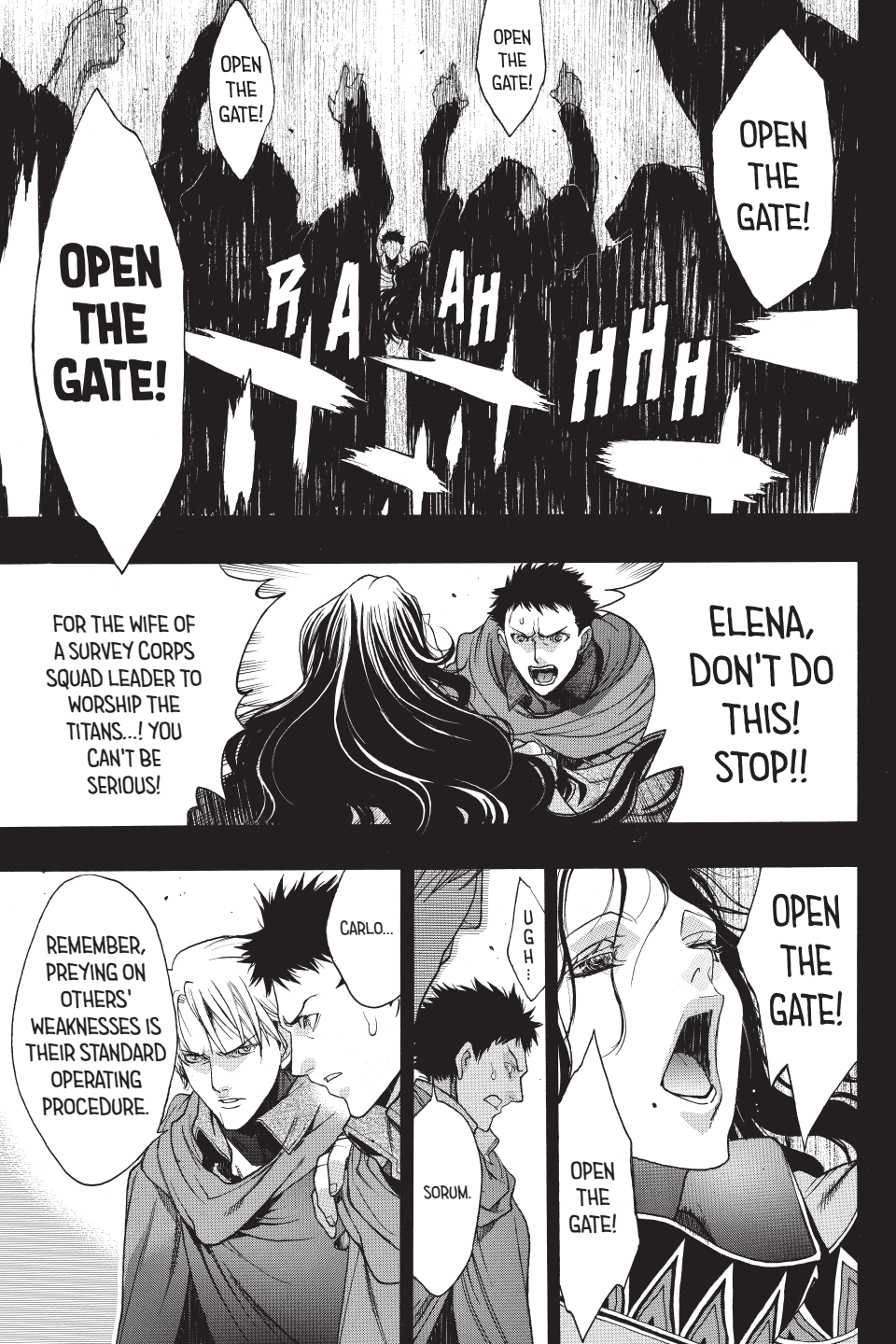
IT WAS THEM...
WHAM
THE TITANS!
RATTLE
RATTLE
SORUM...
THAT'S RIGHT... EVEN THE SURVEY CORPS ISN'T IMMUNE TO THIS KIND OF FEAR...
HUFF!
RATTLE
HUFF!
RATTLE

BUT NOW...WE HUMANS HAVE FELT THAT FEAR...
IT ONLY TOOK 30 YEARS FOR US TO FORGET THE TERROR OF THE TITANS...
...CARVED DEEP INTO OUR HEARTS ONCE AGAIN...
MY WISH...

OUR WISH IS SIMPLE: TO OPEN THE GATES, AT ONCE. THAT IS ALL!

WHAT'S WITH THAT LOT?
IT'S *THEM*. YOU KNOW...
OH, THE TITAN WORSHIP-ERS?
!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! WHY ARE YOU **LEADING** THESE LUNATICS?!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE-
ELENA ?!


...
HAS SHE LOST HER SENSES...?
HEY...
THAT WOMAN AT THE FRONT... ISN'T SHE THE WIDOW OF SQUAD LEADER HEATH OF THE SURVEY CORPS?
SQUAD LEADER HEATH... WASN'T IT HIS HEAD THE TITANS THREW OVER THE WALL?
AND NOW HIS WIFE IS MIXED UP WITH THOSE FREAKS WHO WORSHIP THE TITANS? IT'S LIKE A BAD JOKE.
OPEN THE GATE !!!
AND DELIVER US TO THE TITANS !!


OPEN THE GATE!
OPEN THE GATE!
OPEN THE GATE!
OPEN THE GATE!
RAAHHH
ELENA, DON'T DO THIS! STOP!!
FOR THE WIFE OF A SURVEY CORPS SQUAD LEADER TO WORSHIP THE TITANS...! YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS!
OPEN THE GATE!
UGH...
CARLO...
SORUM.
REMEMBER, PREYING ON OTHERS' WEAKNESSES IS THEIR STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE.

I SUPPOSE IT SUITED THEIR PURPOSES TO RECRUIT SOMEONE RELATED TO THE SURVEY CORPS.
OPEN THE GATE!
RAAHHH
OPEN THE GATE!
OPEN THE GATE!
AND THAT LED TO THIS UPRISING...?
STOPPING THESE LUNATICS ISN'T OUR JOB.
THE LOCAL GARRISON SHOULD BE ABLE TO SUPPRESS A DEMONSTRATION LIKE THIS.
IF IT WASN'T FOR *THAT*...
DAMN IT...

AHH...
AH-
AAAH...
THAT IDIOT OFFICIAL FROM THE ROYAL COURT!
PROBABLY CAME HERE FOR SOME BUSINESS DINNER.
THE FOOL WANDERED RIGHT INTO THIS.
JUST LOOK AT HIS FLABBY BODY.
LOOKS LIKE HE LIVES AN OPULENT LIFE, FAR REMOVED FROM THE PEOPLE.

GONNGG
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...!!
GONNGG
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GONNNG
THE LIBERTY BELL!!!
GIVE US TRUE FREEDOM !!
TRUE FREEDOM !!

GONNGG
WHA ...?
THOKK

DMM
GRR
GGG
GG
THE GATE...
RRGGGG
...IS OPENING ?
GRRGG
GGRGG
NO...YOU CAN'T...
GGRRRG
THERE ARE **PEOPLE** HERE...

GONNGG
RRGHH
GARGG
GONNNG
CLANG
GONNNG
THE GATE'S OPENING.
GONNNGG
HEY, PAPA...
GONNNGG

THUD...
THUD...
HEY...
THUD...
GONNGG
GONNGG
THUD...
THUD...
THAT SOUND...
FOOT-STEPS...
THUD...
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IT'S A TITAN!
THUD...

THUD
WHUMP

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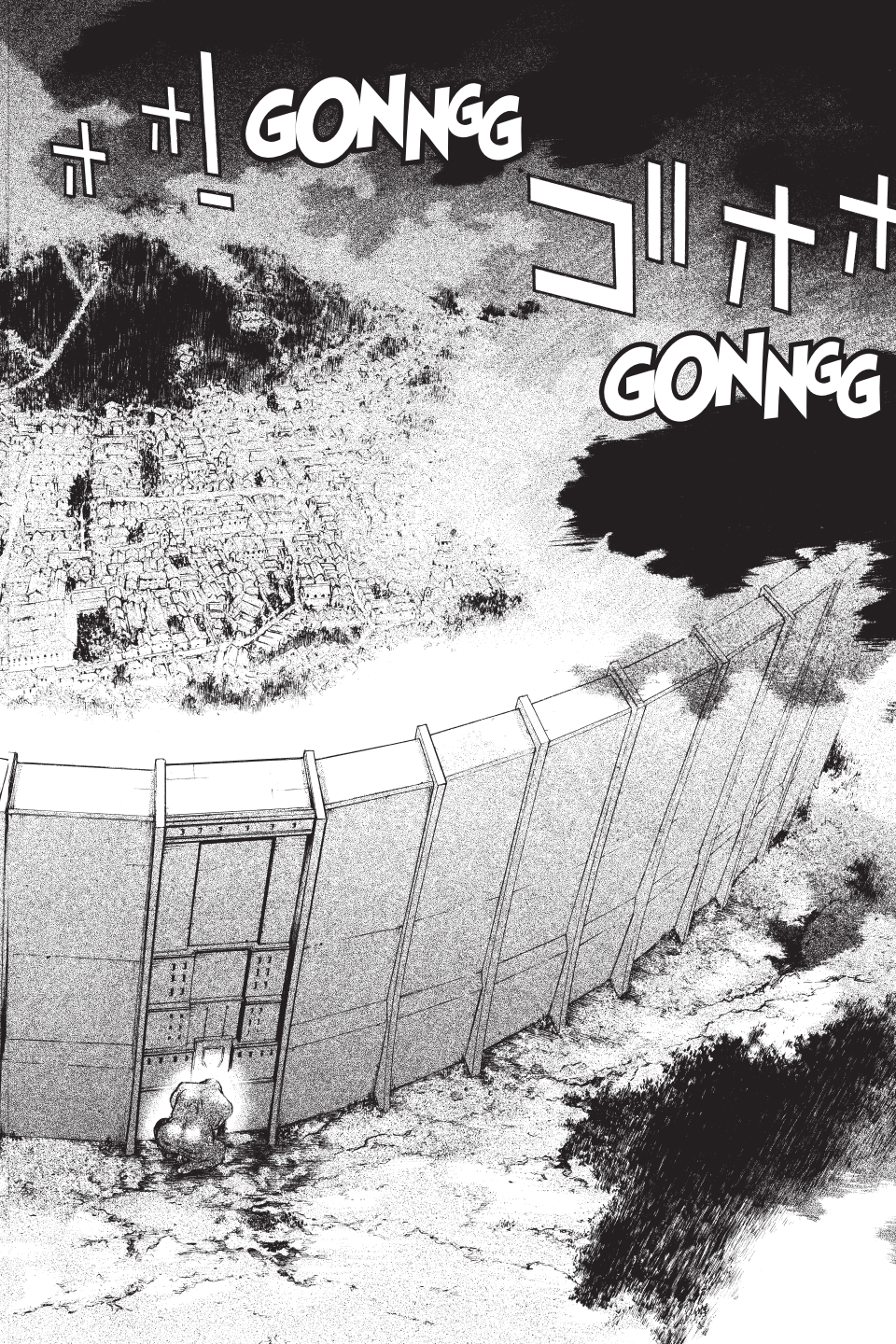
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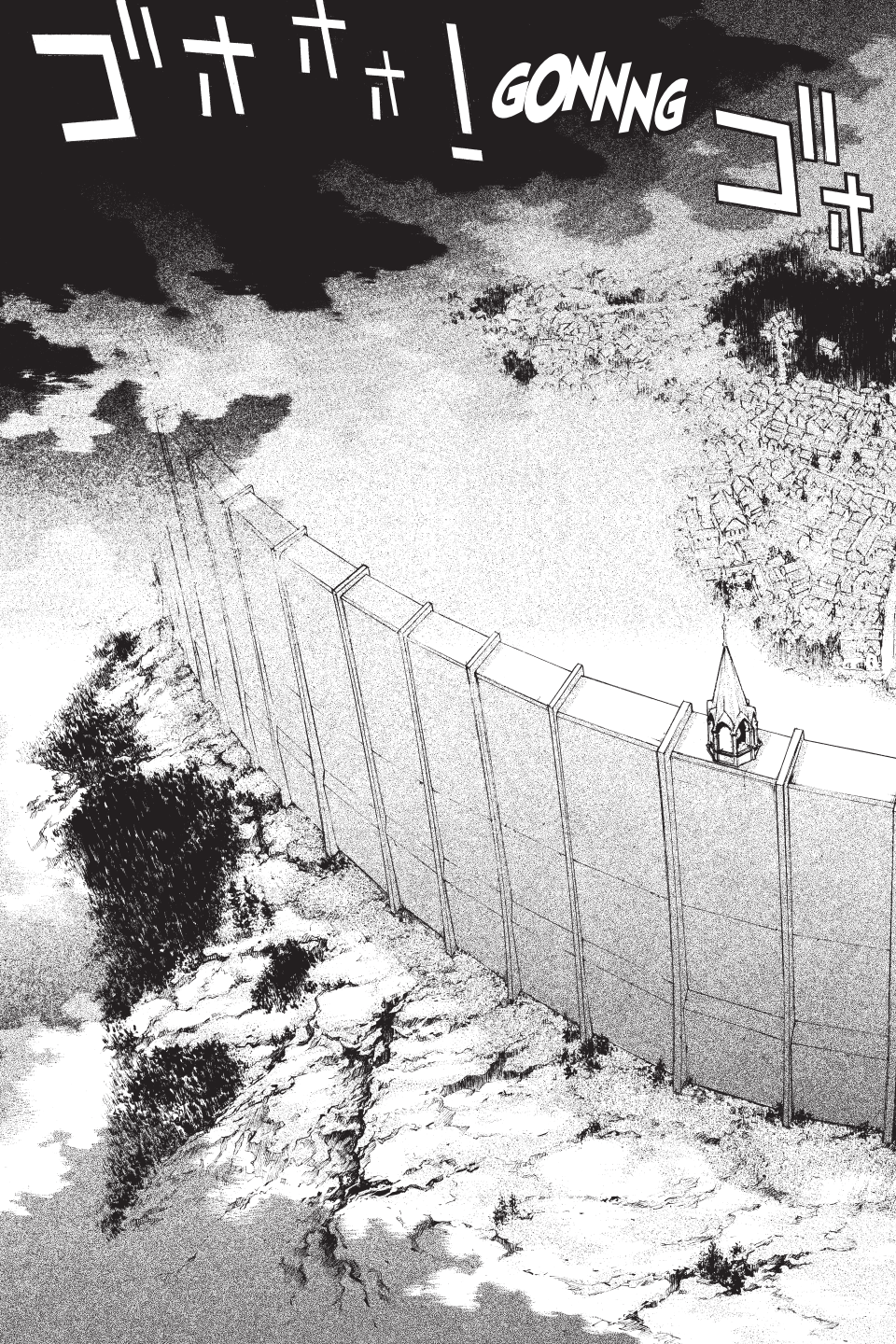
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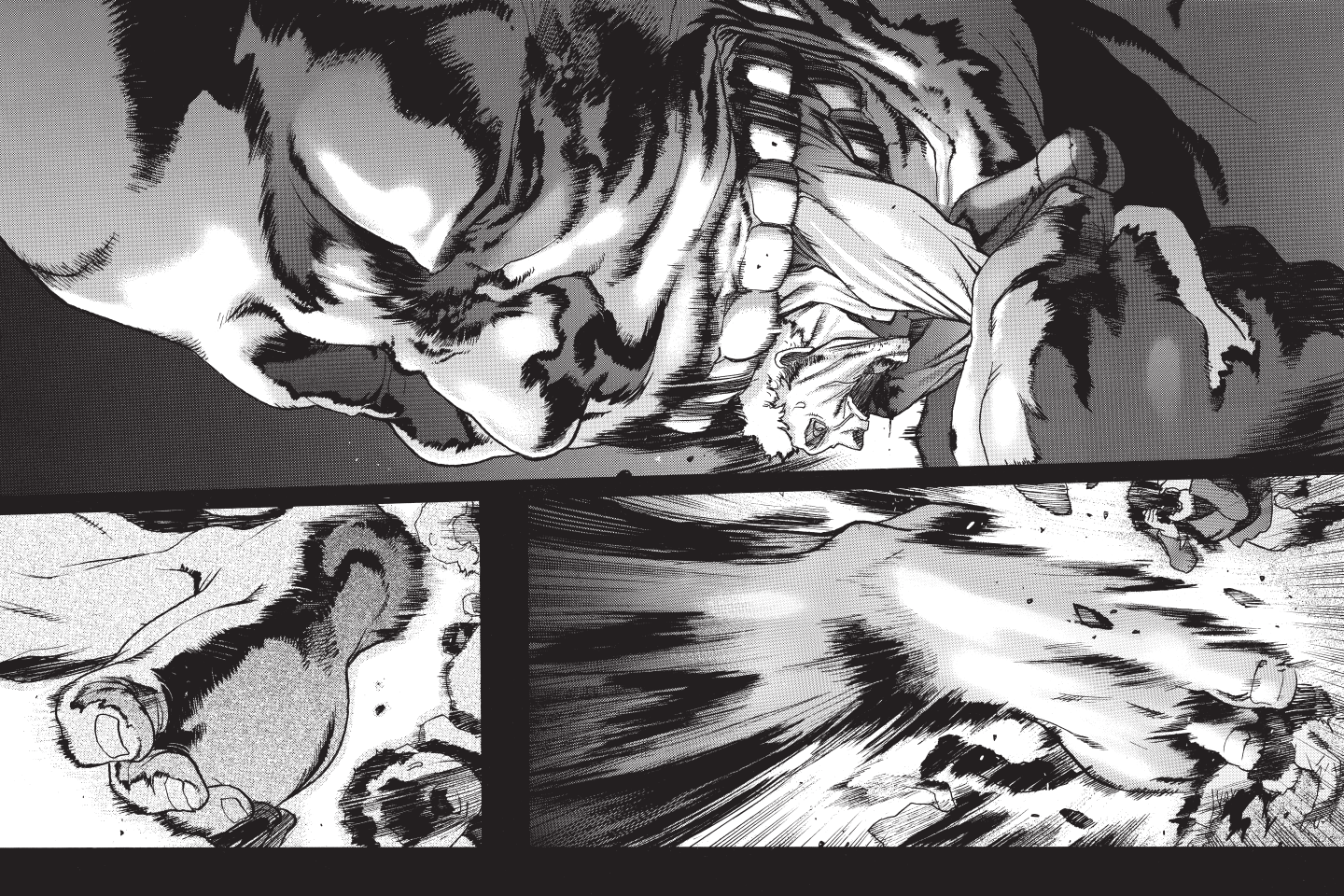
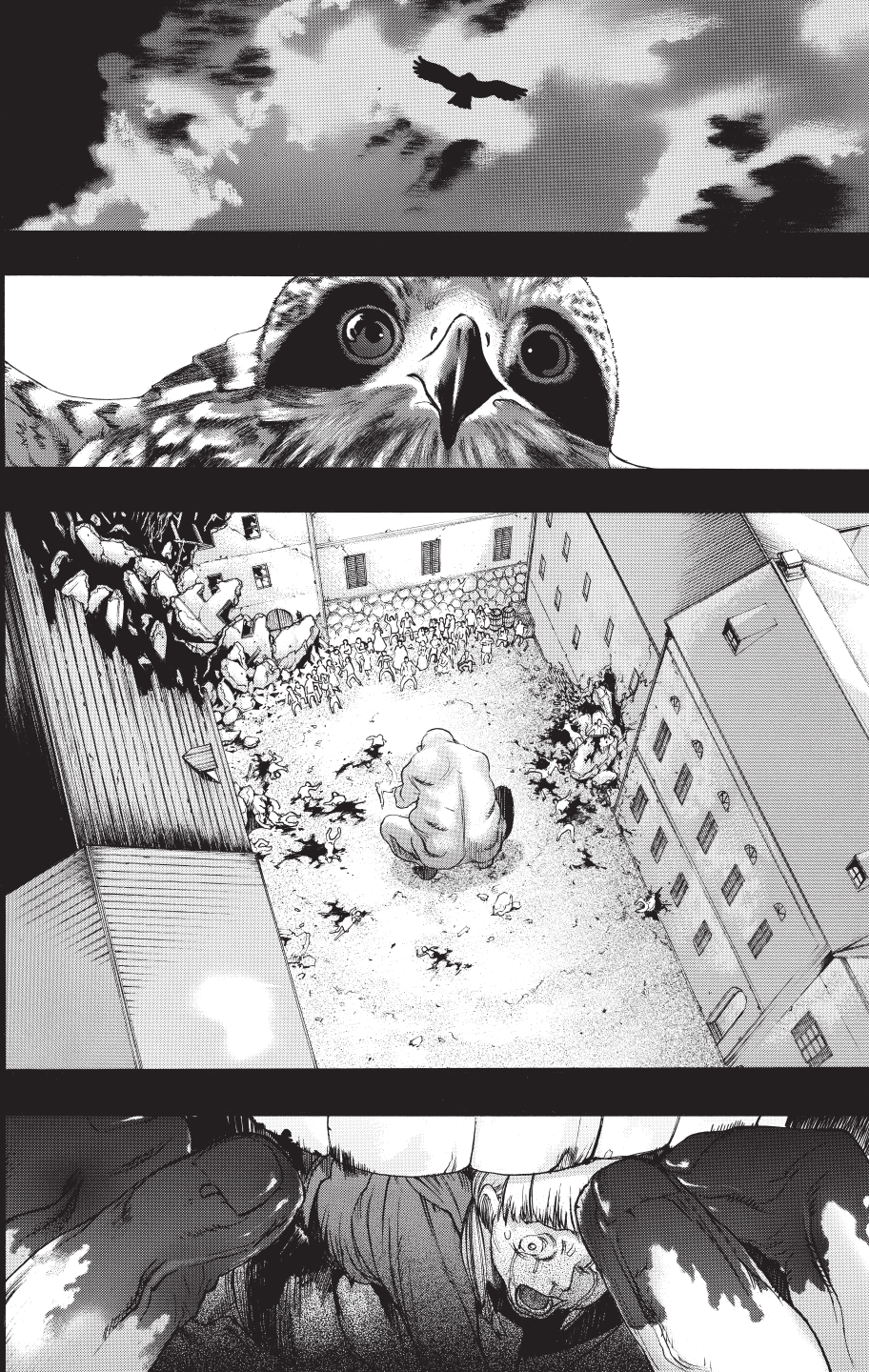
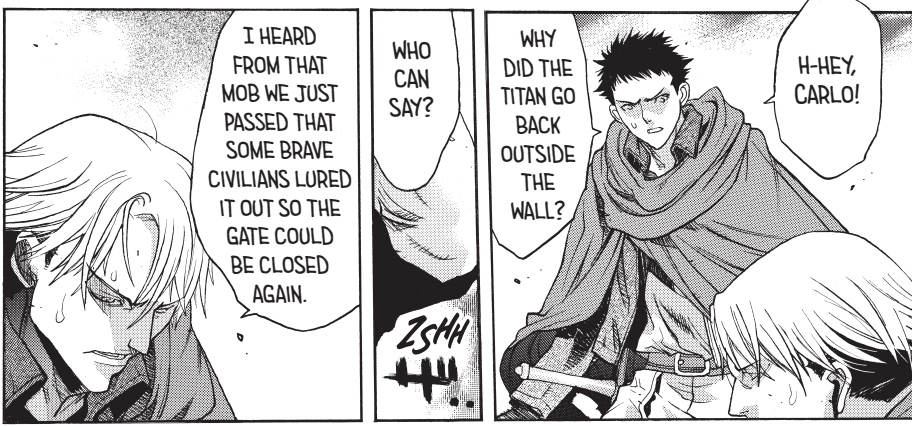
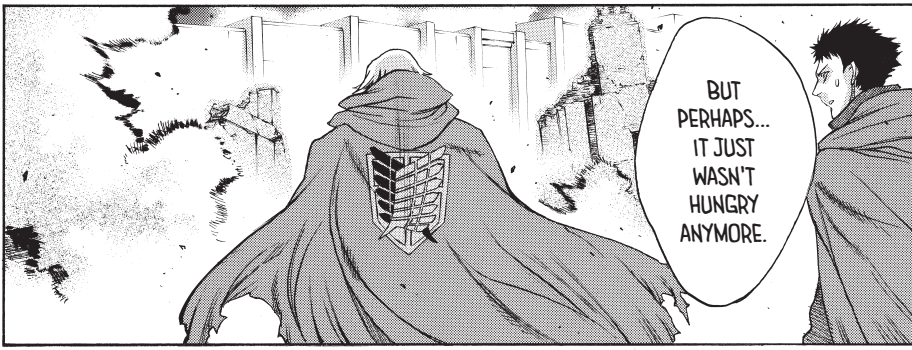
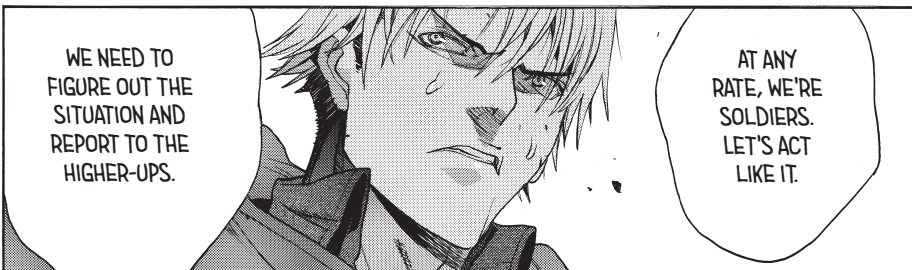




GRIT

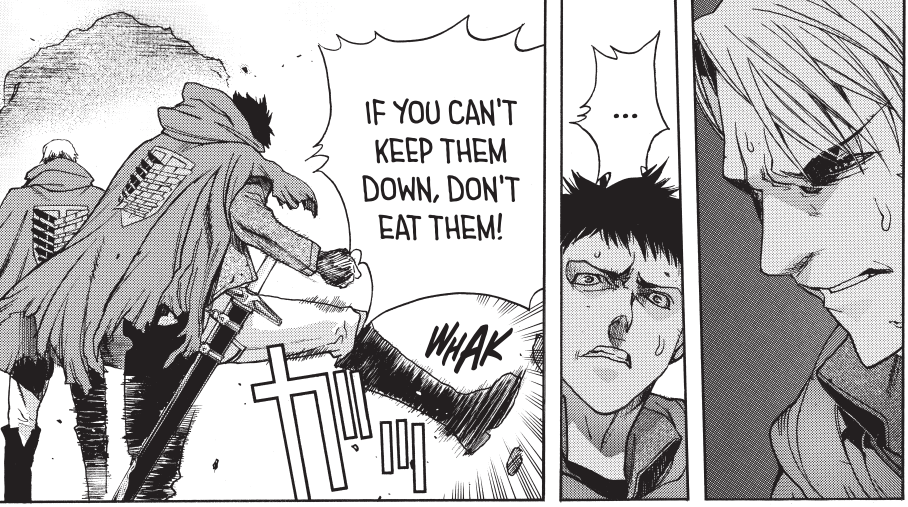

H-HEY, CARLO!
WHY DID THE TITAN GO BACK OUTSIDE THE WALL?
WHO CAN SAY?
ZSHH
I HEARD FROM THAT MOB WE JUST PASSED THAT SOME BRAVE CIVILIANS LURED IT OUT SO THE GATE COULD BE CLOSED AGAIN.


BUT PERHAPS... IT JUST WASN'T HUNGRY ANYMORE.

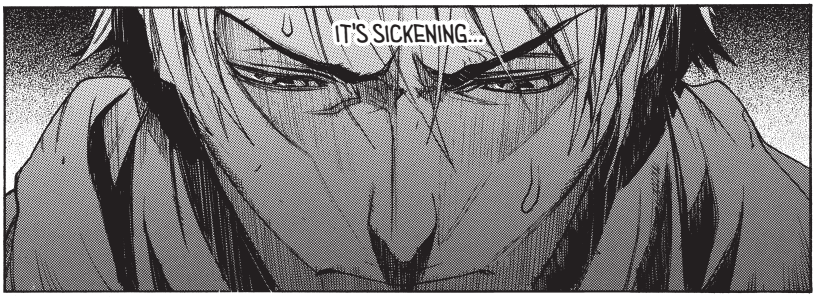

AT ANY RATE, WE'RE SOLDIERS. LET'S ACT LIKE IT.
WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT THE SITUATION AND REPORT TO THE HIGHER-UPS.

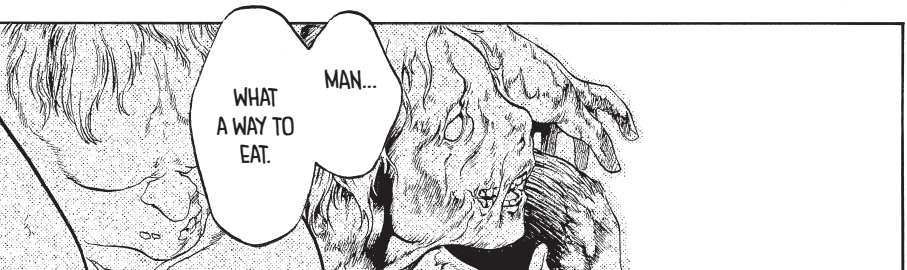
CLUNK
THE BODIES WILL HAVE TO BE MOVED QUICKLY...
TO PREVENT DISEASE, YOU MEAN?
WE CAN'T DENY THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE TITAN BROUGHT SICKNESS IN WITH IT, AS WELL.
BESIDES...

...THEY JUST SPIT THEIR VICTIMS OUT, HALF-DIGESTED.
THEY CAN'T REST IN PEACE LIKE THIS.


IF YOU CAN'T KEEP THEM DOWN, DON'T EAT THEM!
WHAK
...

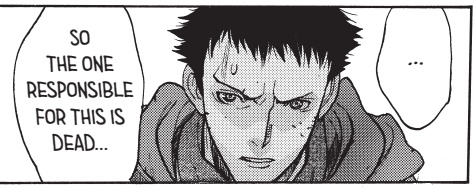
BUT...IF WE DON'T AT LEAST TRY, WE'LL ALWAYS BE NOTHING MORE THAN THEIR **PREY.**
I DON'T THINK I **WANT** TO UNDER-STAND THEM.
THEIR ACTIONS MAKE NO SENSE!


IT'S SICKENING...


MAN...
WHAT A WAY TO EAT.

SINCE THEY'RE VOMITING IT ALL OUT, THEY CAN'T REALLY HAVE A SENSE OF TASTE.
NO SIGNS OF DIGESTION.
CLOTHES AND EQUIPMENT WHOLE...
!
LOOK AT THAT!

...IT'S ELENA!


SO THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS IS DEAD...
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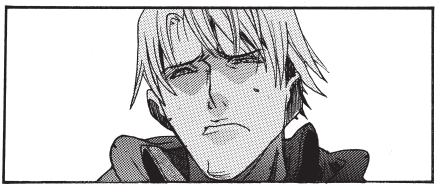
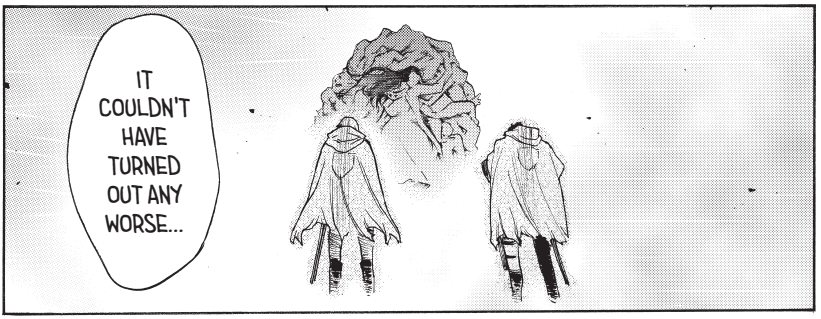
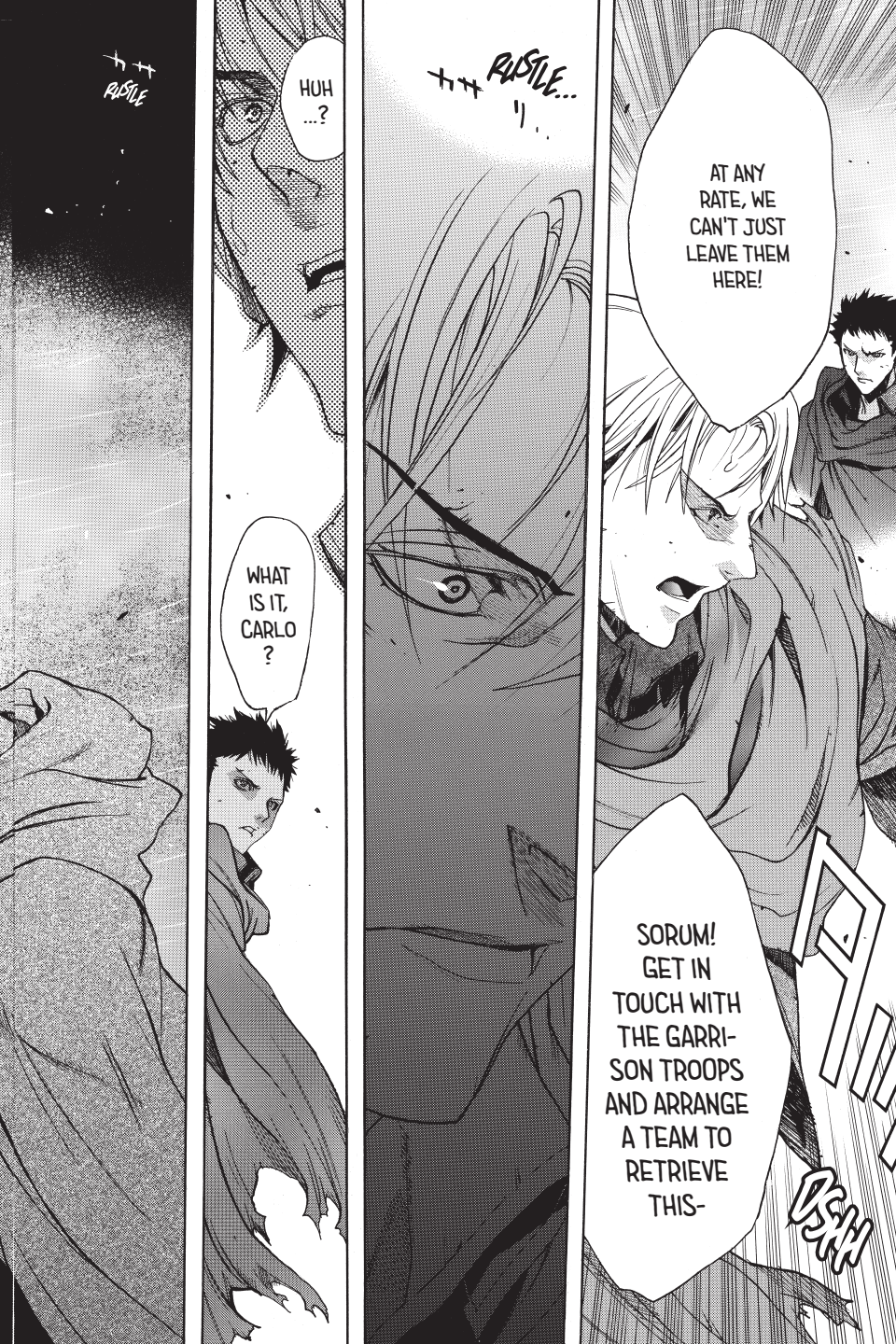
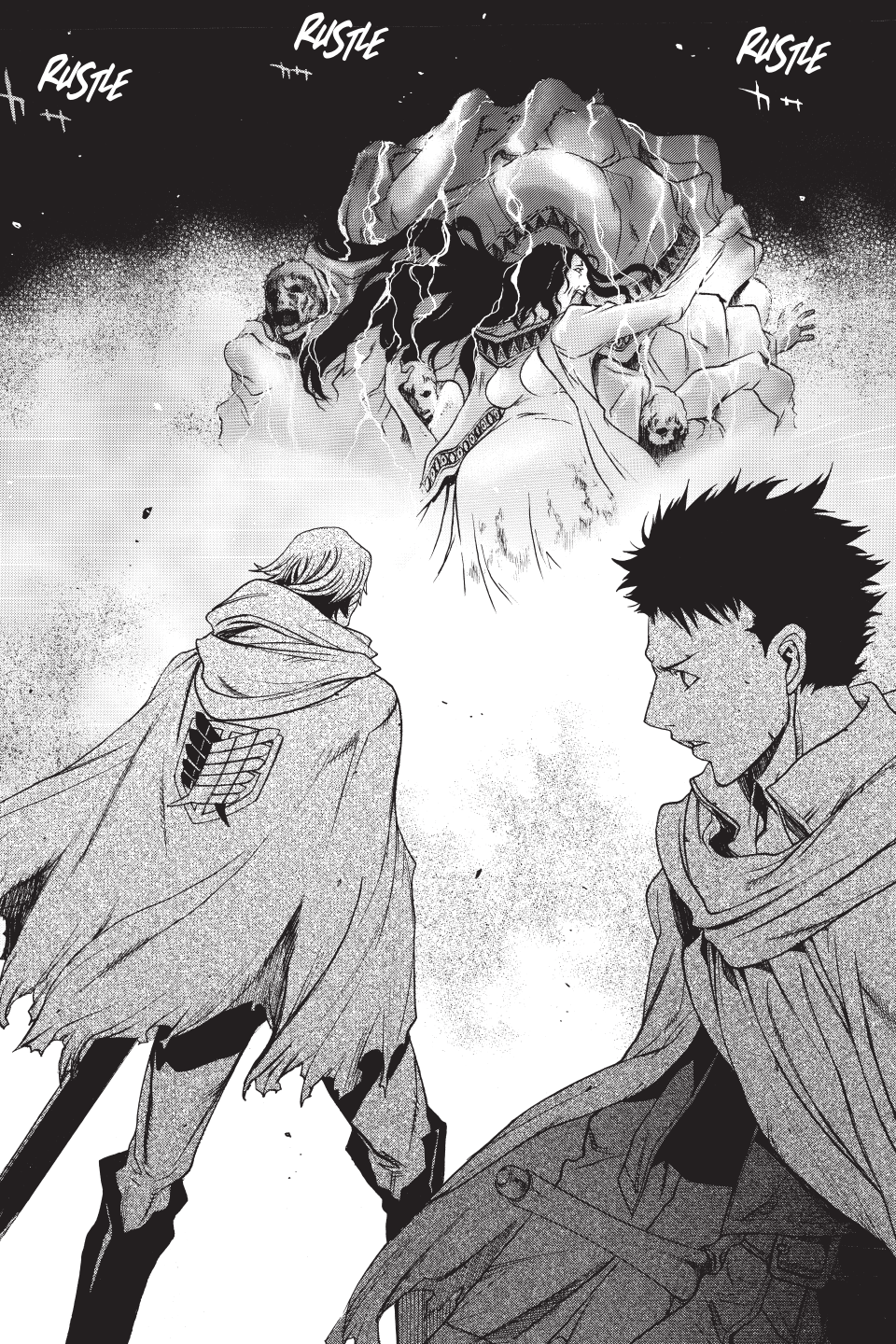



IT COULDN'T HAVE TURNED OUT ANY WORSE...

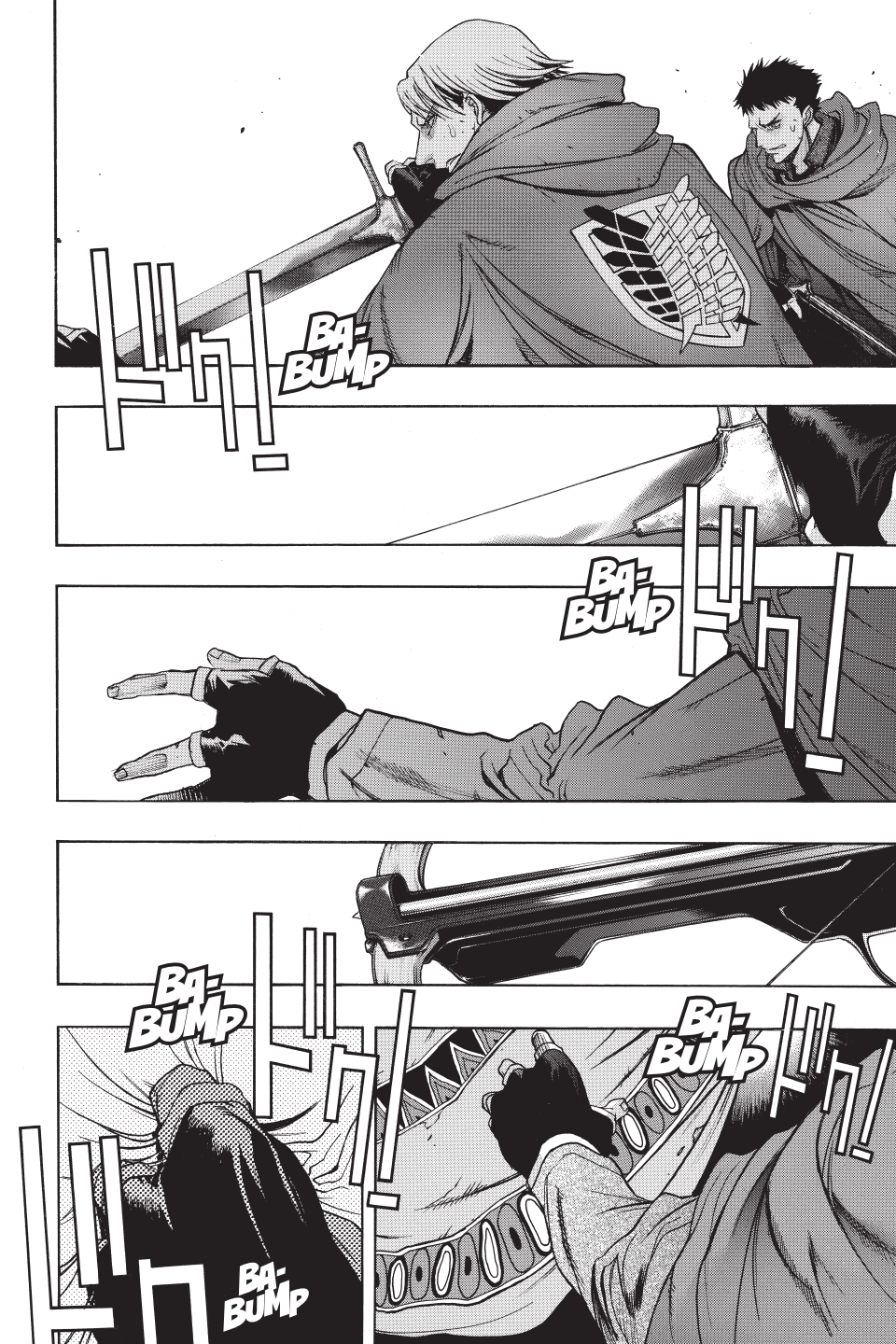
...SUCH A SHAME...
...WITH A BABY ON THE WAY...
NEWLY MARRIED...


RUSTLE
HUH ...?
WHAT IS IT, CARLO ?
RUSTLE...
AT ANY RATE, WE CAN'T JUST LEAVE THEM HERE!
SORUM! GET IN TOUCH WITH THE GARRI-SON TROOPS AND ARRANGE A TEAM TO RETRIEVE THIS-
DEH


RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE

NO WAY! IS SHE ALIVE-?
NO!
HEY ...
YOU DON'T THINK ...
GRLK
GRLK
GRLK

WE DON'T KNOW A THING ABOUT THEIR PHYSIOL-OGY!!
BUT ARE YOU CERTAIN ?!
NO WAY...
...IT'S POSSIBLE... THAT NEW TITANS ARE BORN FROM THE TITANS' VOMIT...?
GRRK
GRRK
GRRK
WHAT IF-?!
WHAT IF THERE IS THE SEED OF A NEW TITAN IN THAT VOMIT...?
WE CAN'T LET THAT HELL COME BACK HERE TO SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT AGAIN!!
DO IT...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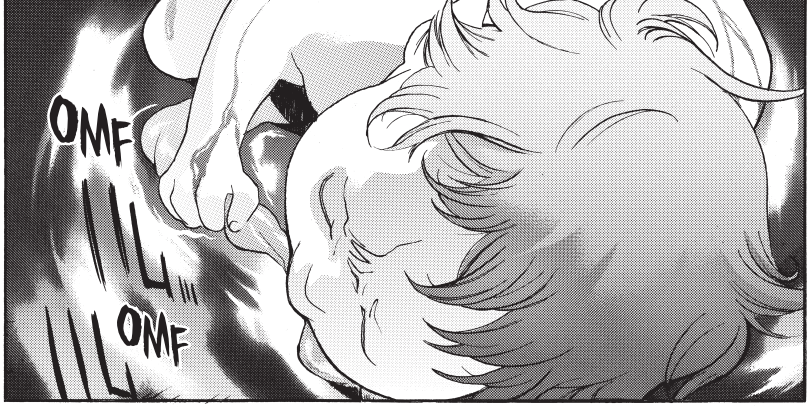
A BABY ...?!
IT WAS ALIVE...
...STILL ALIVE INSIDE OF ELENA... AFTER THE TITAN ATE HER!!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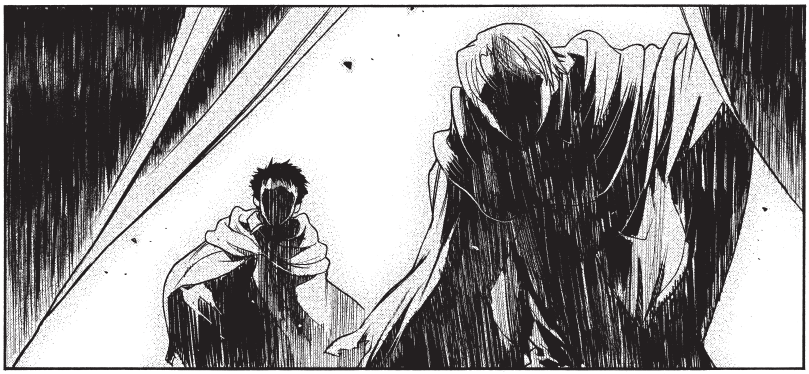
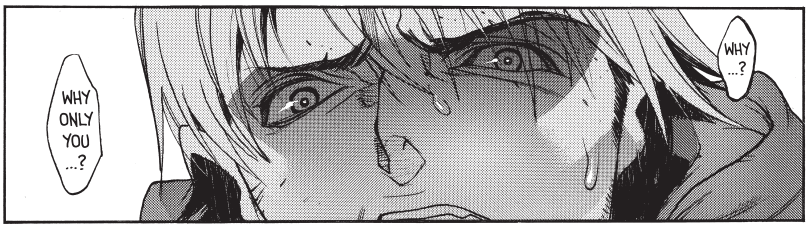
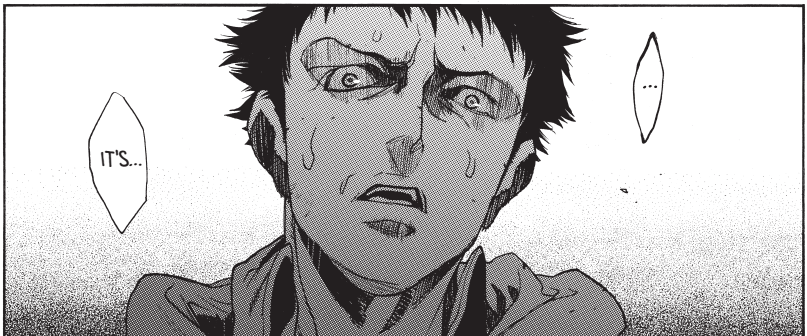



WHY ONLY YOU ...?
WHY ...?


IT'S...
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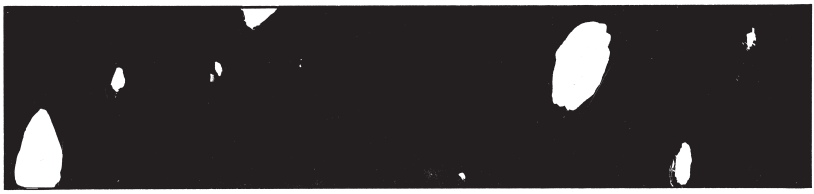
THE SON... OF A TITAN...

Thirteen years later...



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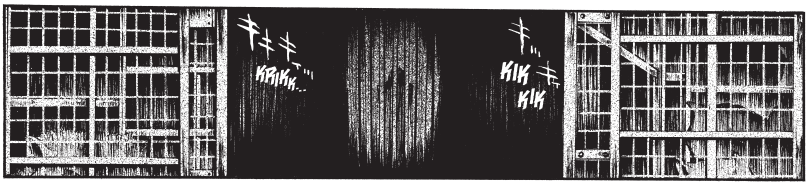
GRAAH
AMAZIN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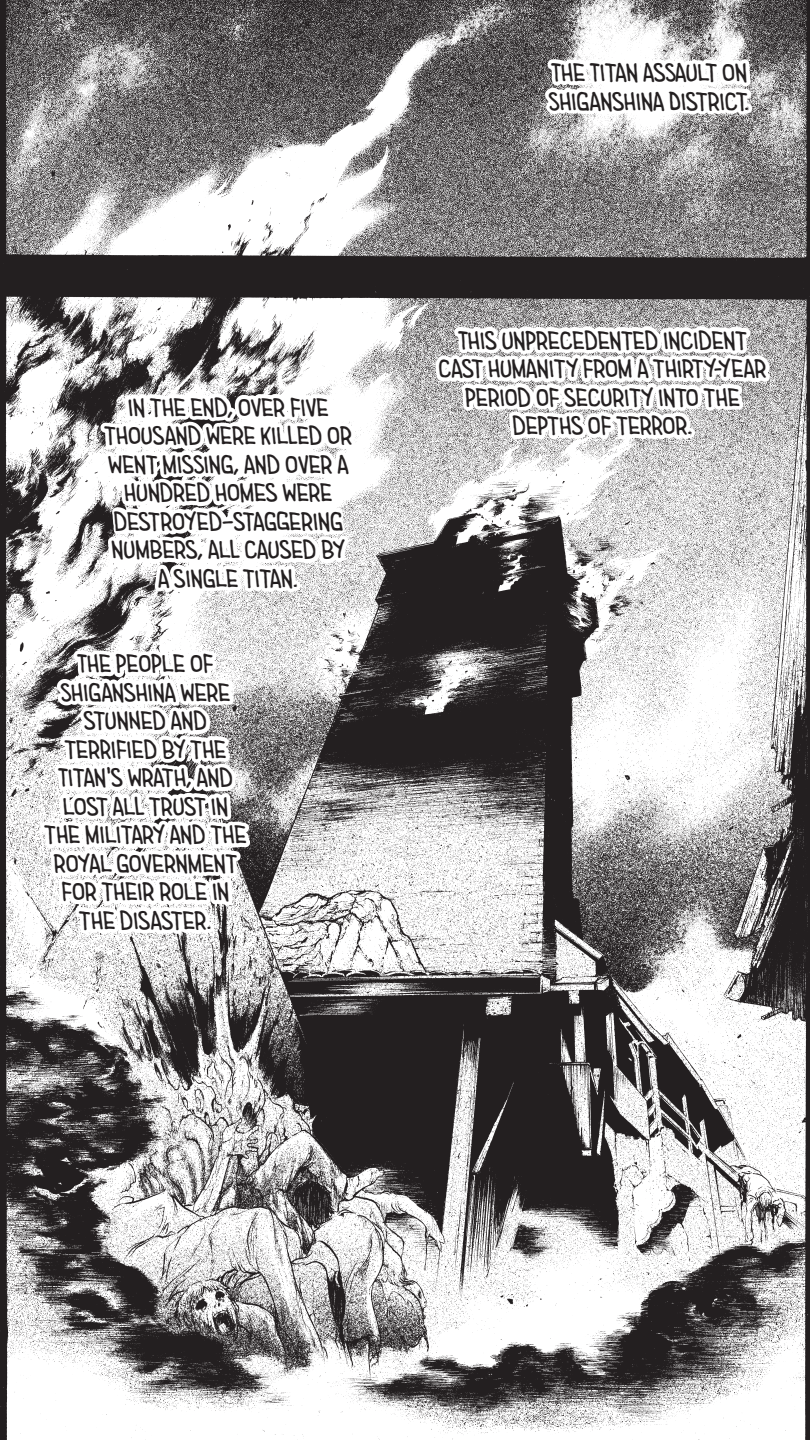
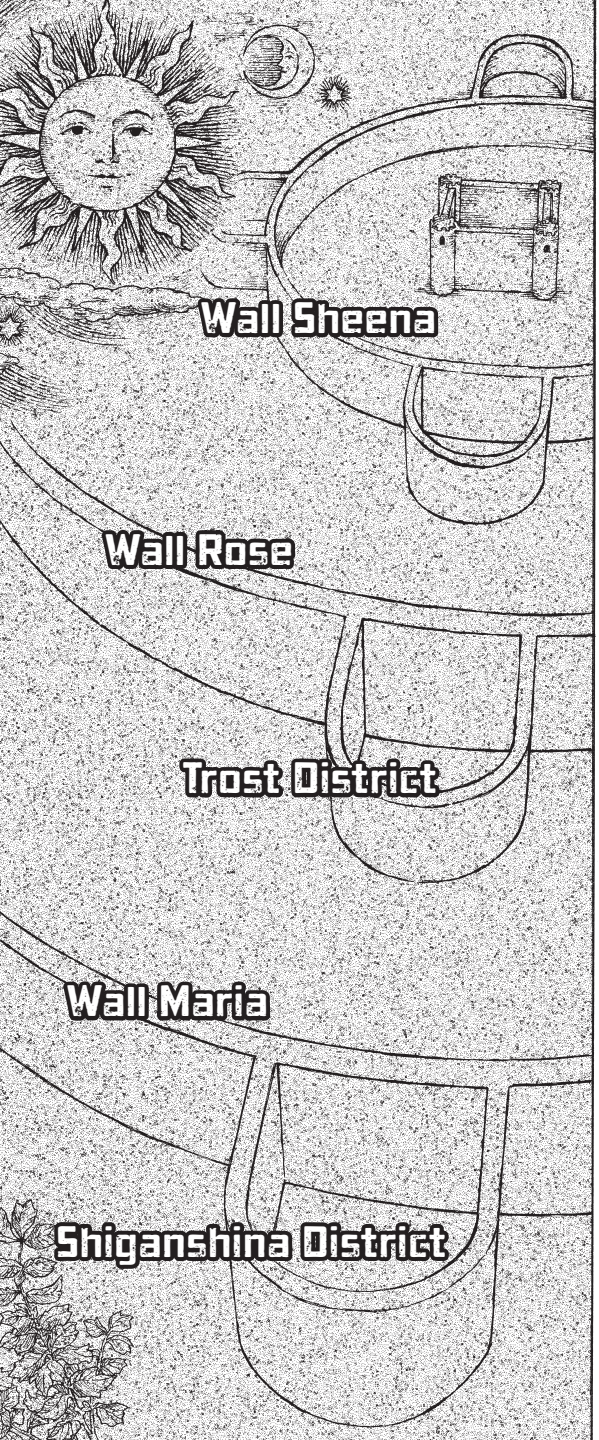

THE TITAN ASSAULT ON SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT.
THIS UNPRECEDENTED INCIDENT CAST HUMANITY FROM A THIRTY-YEAR PERIOD OF SECURITY INTO THE DEPTHS OF TERROR.
IN THE END, OVER FIVE THOUSAND WERE KILLED OR WENT MISSING, AND OVER A HUNDRED HOMES WERE DESTROYED—STAGGERING NUMBERS, ALL CAUSED BY A SINGLE TITAN.
THE PEOPLE OF SHIGANSHINA WERE STUNNED AND TERRIFIED BY THE TITAN'S WRATH, AND LOST ALL TRUST IN THE MILITARY AND THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT FOR THEIR ROLE IN THE DISASTER.

THIRTEEN YEARS LATER...
Chapter 2:
Her Determination


Wall Sheena
Wall Rose
Trost District
Wall Maria
Shiganshina District

...OUR STORY MOVES BEHIND WALL SHEENA.

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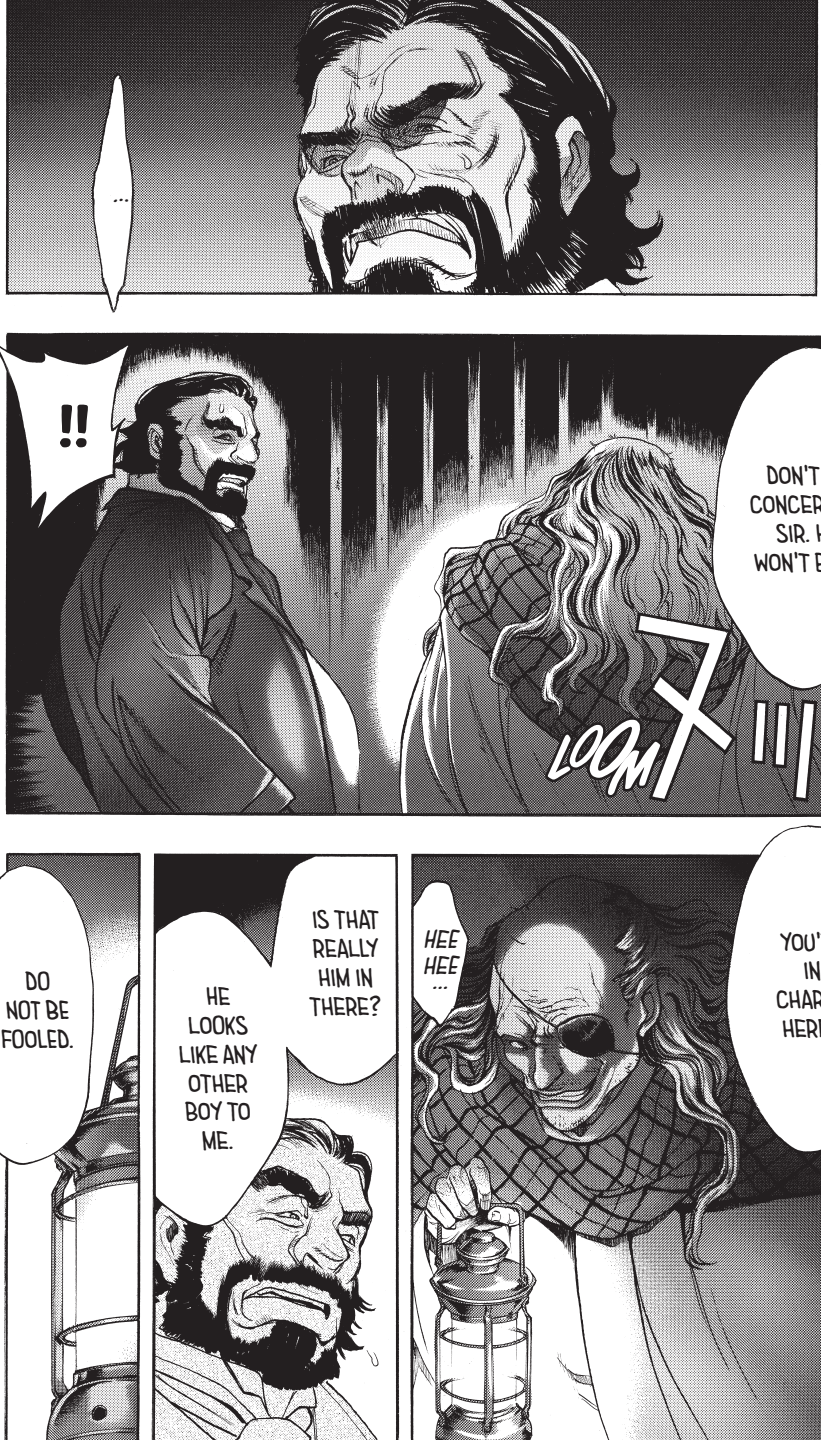
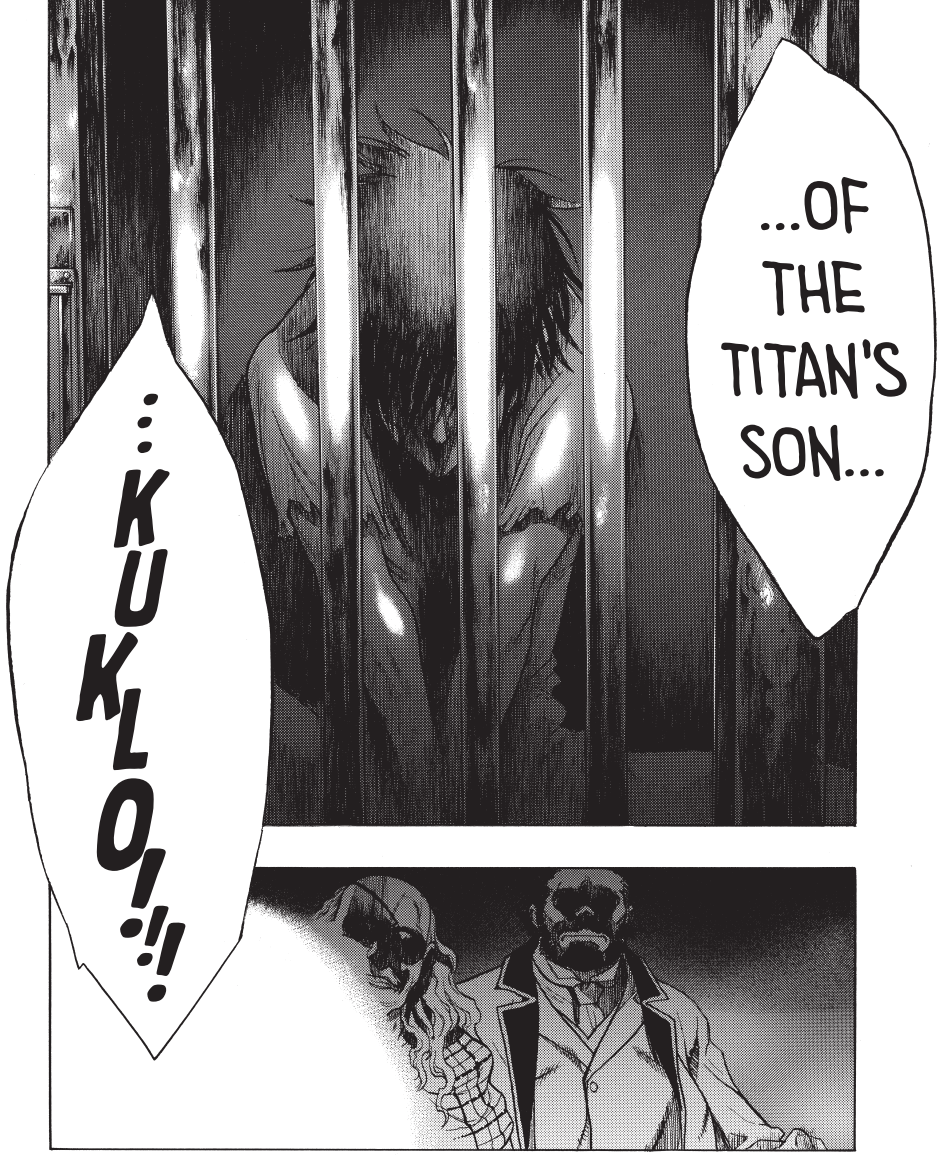
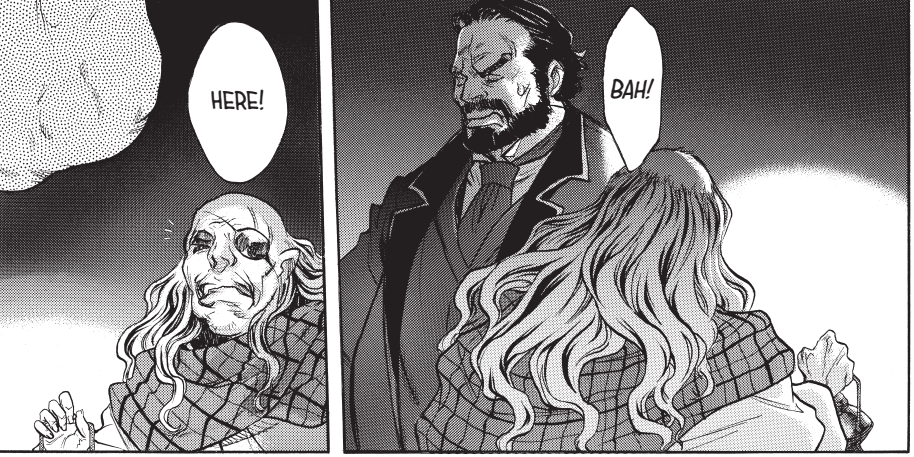
SO THIS IS THE ONE...

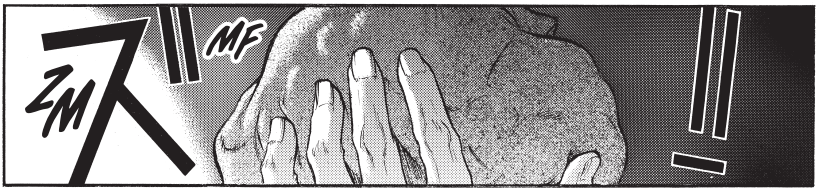

...
!!
DON'T BE CONCERNED, SIR. HE WON'T BITE.
LOOM
YOU'RE IN CHARGE HERE?
HEE HEE ...
IS THAT REALLY HIM IN THERE?
HE LOOKS LIKE ANY OTHER BOY TO ME.
DO NOT BE FOOLED.

WHAT MAN WOULD LIE TO THE FACE OF THE GREAT MERCHANT DARIO INOCENCIO...
...ONE OF THE RICHEST MEN IN THE INTERIOR!
THIS IS THE VERY BOY...
THE CHILD BORN OF THE TITAN'S FILTH...
NOW, GAZE UPON THE FACE...


...OF THE TITAN'S SON...
...KUKLO!!!

KH...


HERE!
BAH!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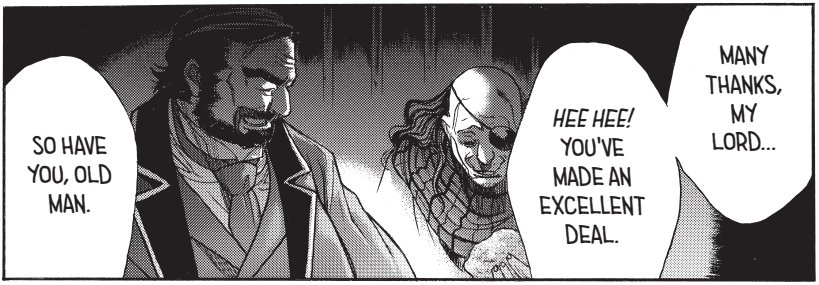
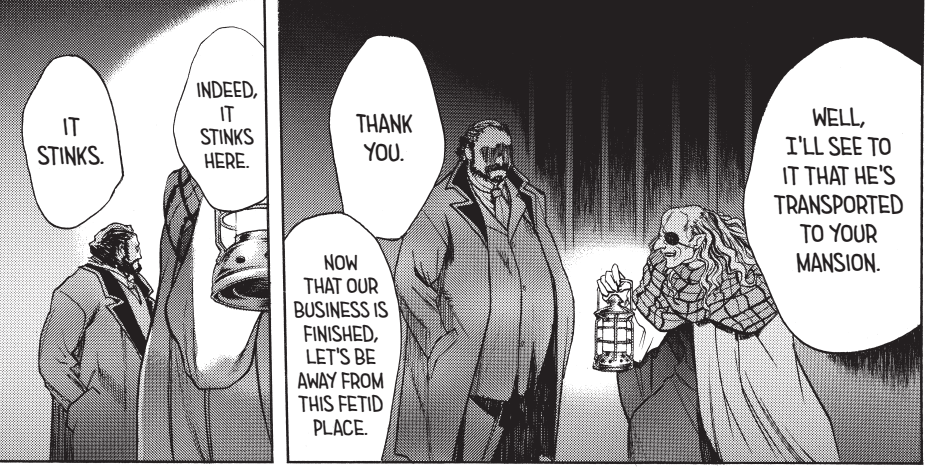
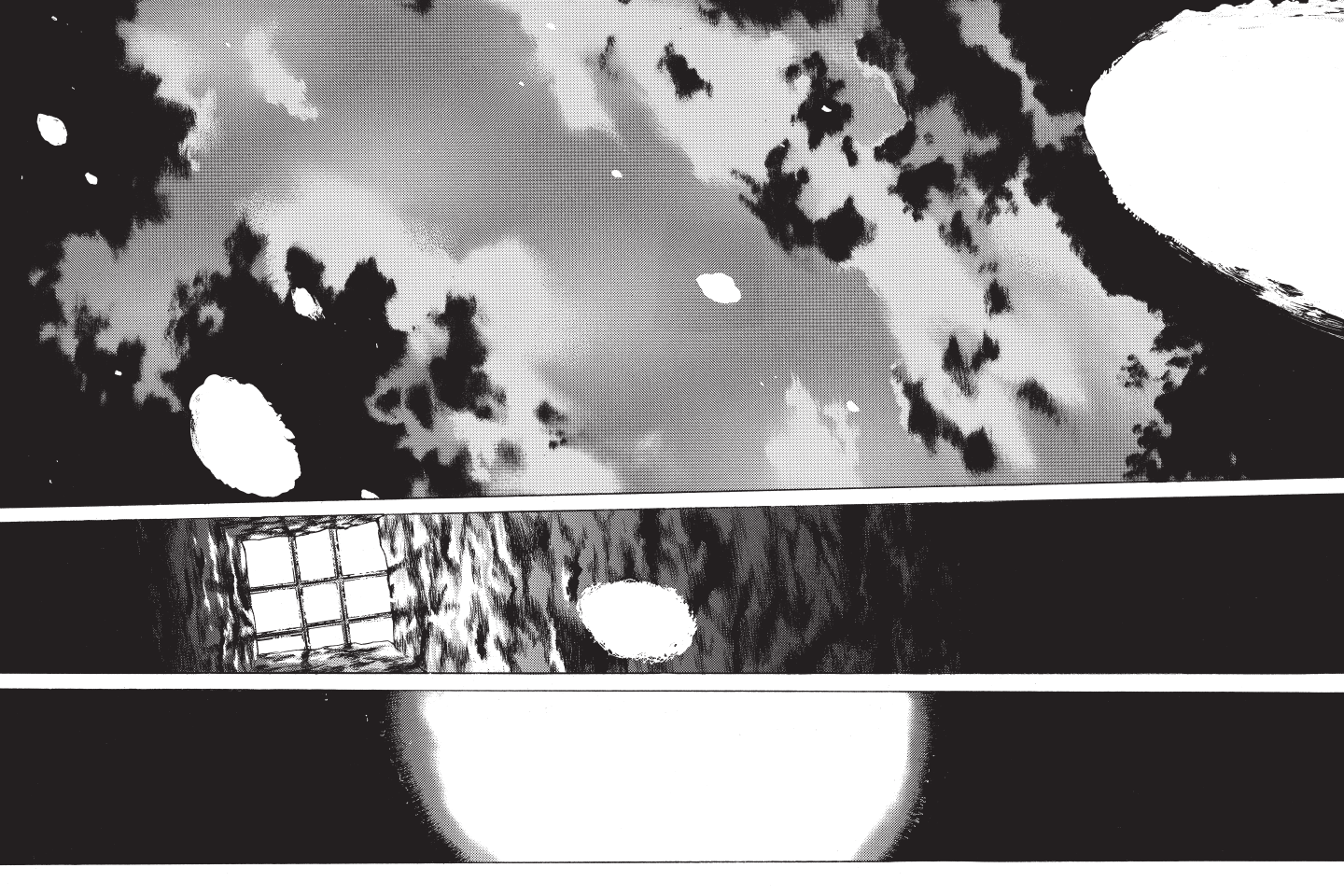
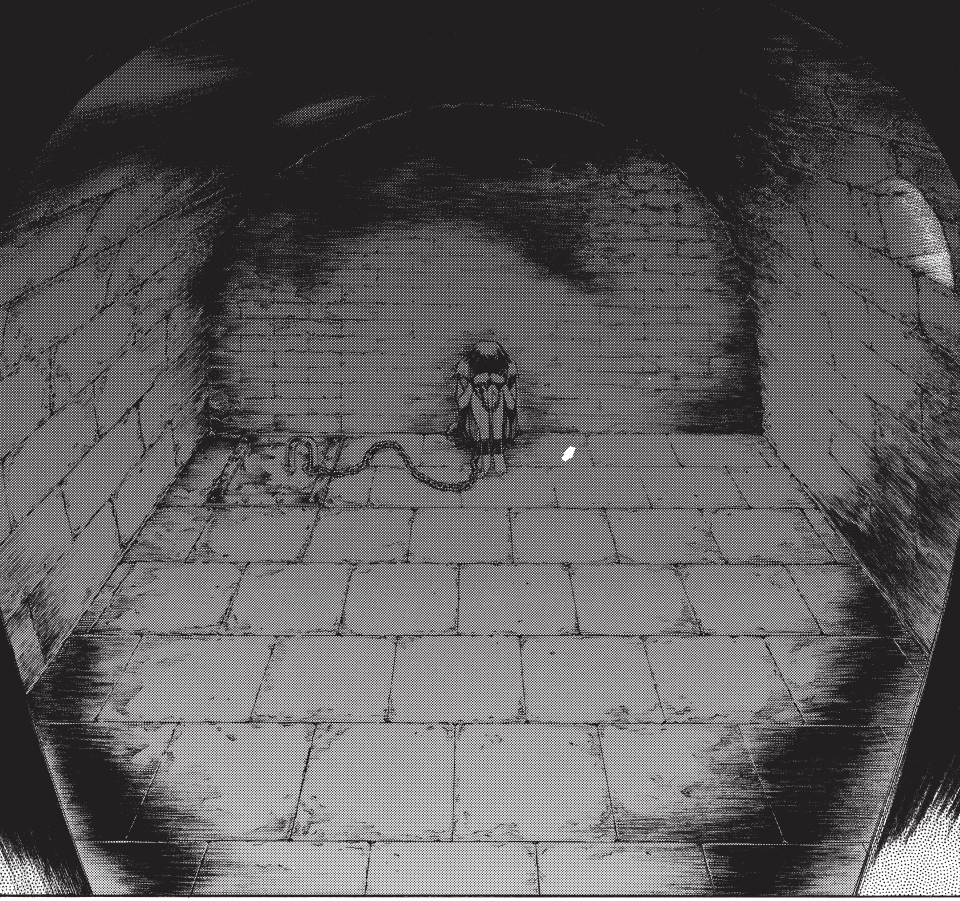

SO HAVE YOU, OLD MAN.
HEE HEE! YOU'VE MADE AN EXCELLENT DEAL.
MANY THANKS, MY LORD...

WHO WAS THIS ECCEN-TRIC?
OOPS! PARDON MY LANGUAGE, HEE HEE...
ECCEN-TRIC?
THERE WAS ANOTHER ECCENTRIC WHO EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN KUKLO AS WELL.

WHO CAN SAY? NOT ME, FOR CERTAIN...
WHAT DID HE WANT WITH THE TITAN'S SON?
A MOST GLOOMY MAN, DRESSED IN BLACK RAGS...
BUT HE HAD TO HAVE THE BOY, OR SO HE CLAIMED...
OPPOR-TUNIST KNAVE.
HEE HEE!
REASONS ASIDE, I ALWAYS PLANNED TO GIVE **YOU** THE BOY, MASTER.
NOR DO I.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND.


IT STINKS.
INDEED, IT STINKS HERE.
NOW THAT OUR BUSINESS IS FINISHED, LET'S BE AWAY FROM THIS FETID PLACE.
THANK YOU.
WELL, I'LL SEE TO IT THAT HE'S TRANSPORTED TO YOUR MANSION.





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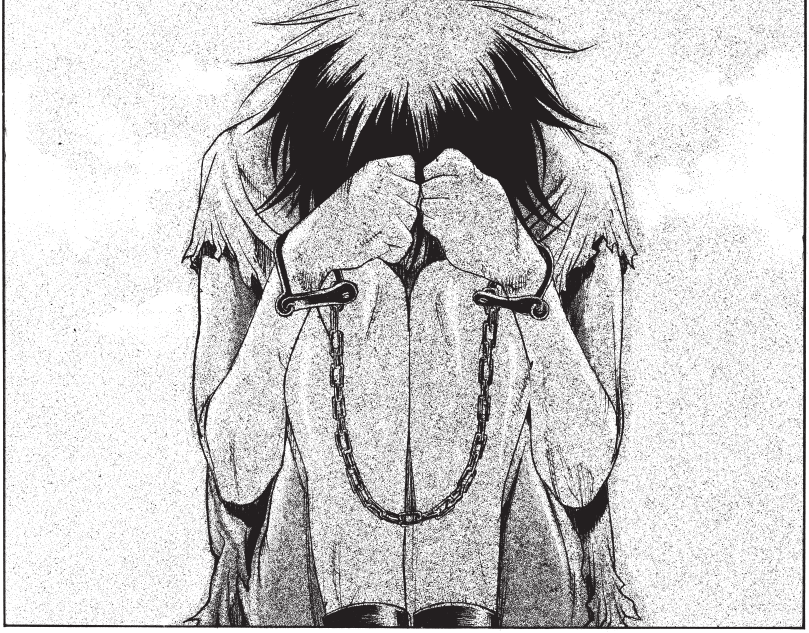
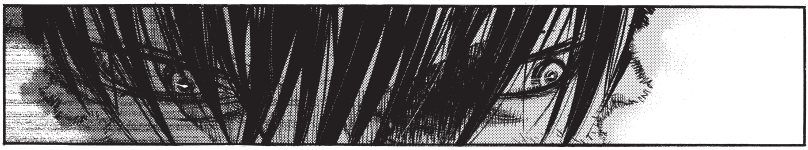


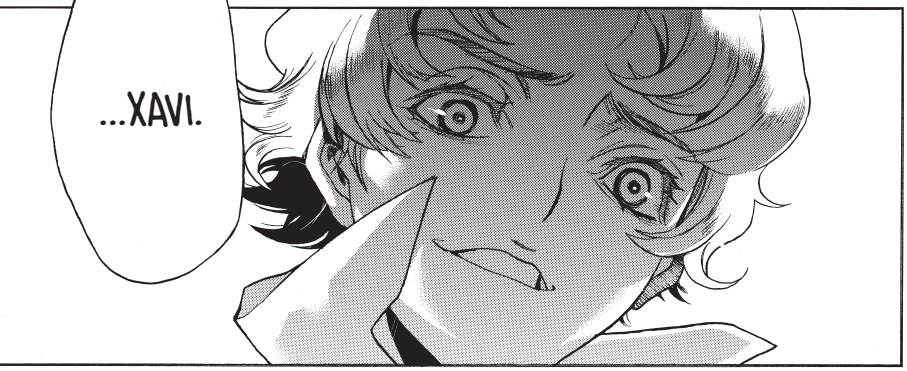


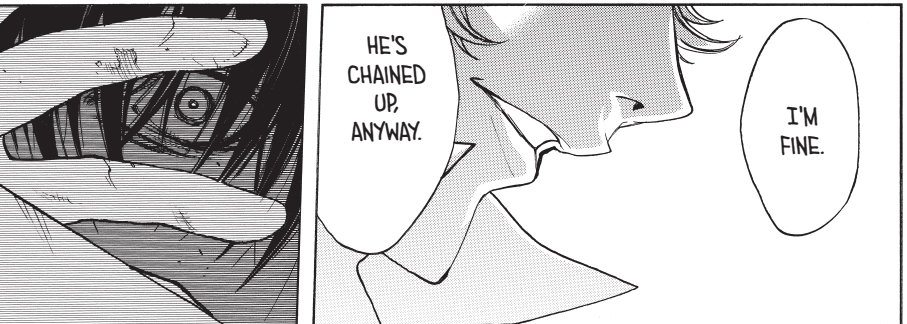
DSHH

KRCH...
GRSH
GRSH
STOMP
WHAM
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP

?!!
AHA HA!
THERE HE IS!
SO THIS IS KUKLO !
IS HE A TITAN?

DON'T GET TOO CLOSE. BE CAREFUL...
HE'S STILL JUST A KID!


...XAVI.


HE'S CHAINED UP, ANYWAY.
I'M FINE.

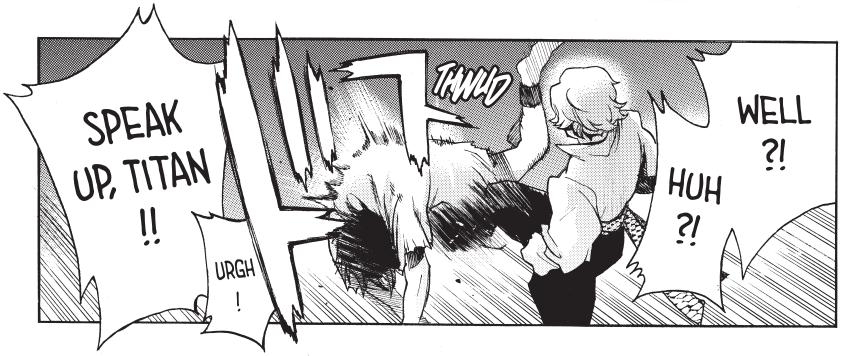
THUD
I KNOW, I KNOW!
THUD
THINK OF THIS AS AN INVESTMENT TOWARD THAT GOAL-
THUD
YOU'RE GOING TO BE HEAD OF THE MILITARY SOMEDAY, XAVI.
THUD
KA
THWAK
HUH?
SEE? I'LL DESTROY ALL THE TITANS MYSELF!

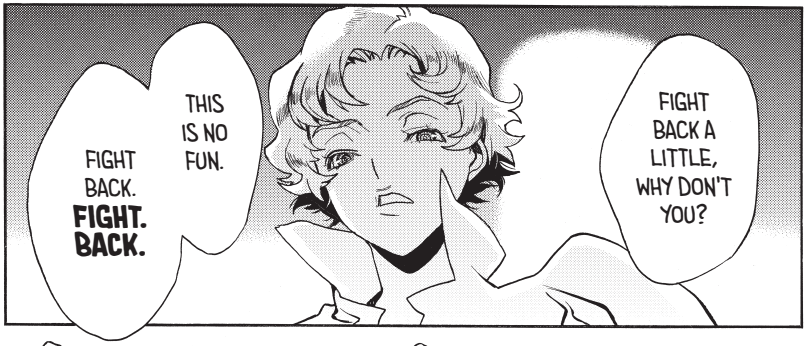
HE'S SUCH A WEAKLING !!

SPLASH
?!
BWAH
GAHK!
HAHK!

GAHAK!
SHIVER
KFF KOFF!
CLUNK
FOR A TITAN, YOU SURE SLEEP A LOT.
GAHH!
KA-HAK...
YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL THAT I COME DOWN HERE TO WAKE YOU UP EVERY MORNING.
HUFF!
HUFF!
HFF!
HFF!
SHH!
SPLATCH

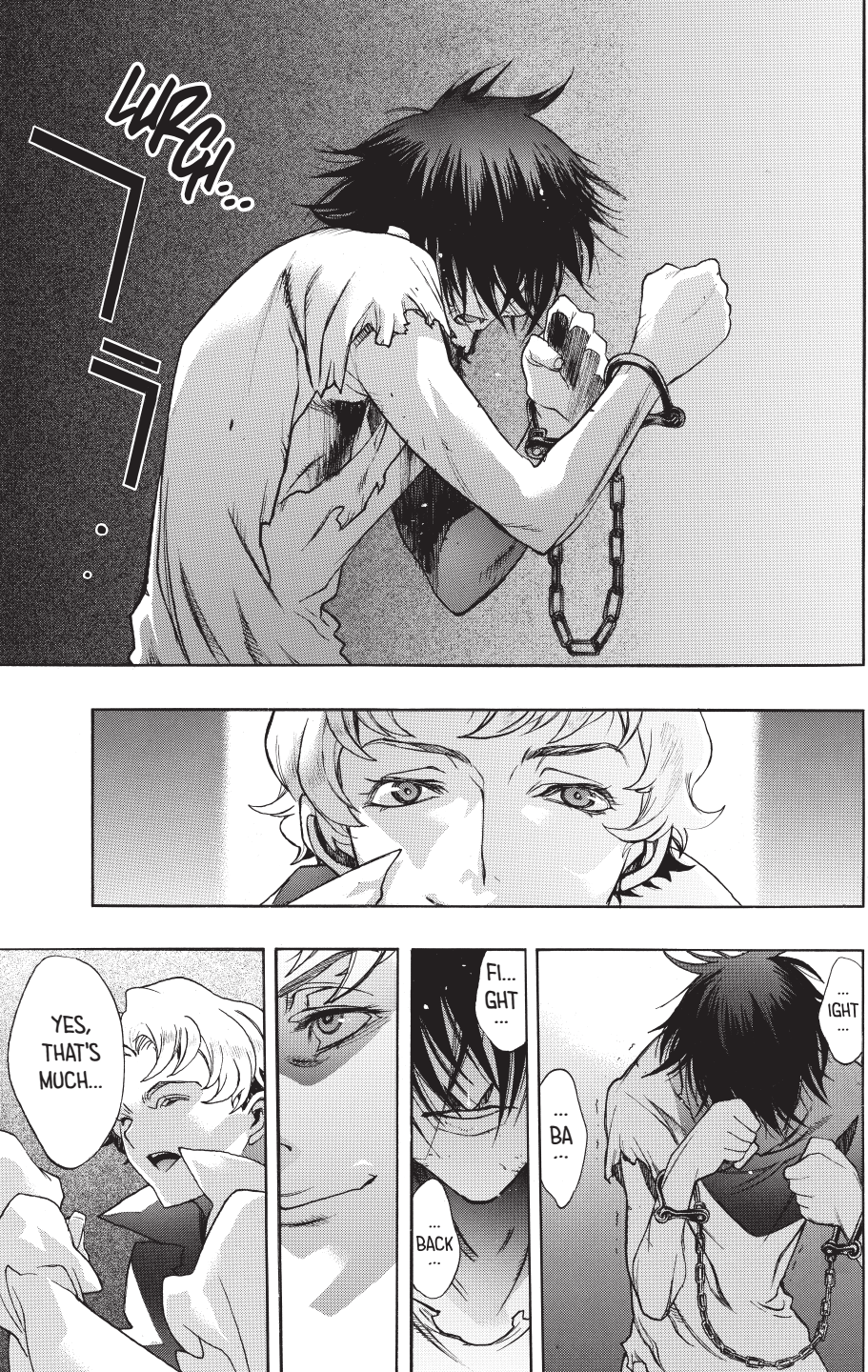
TCH!
YOU'RE SO WEAK, YOU'RE NOT EVEN WORTH BEATING.
SL
URP
FF


THWUD
WELL ?!
HUH ?!
SPEAK UP, TITAN !!
URGH !

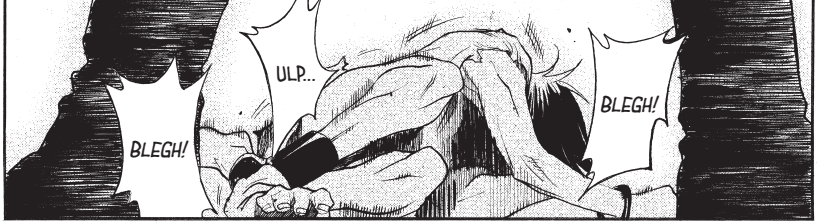

FIGHT BACK A LITTLE, WHY DON'T YOU?
THIS IS NO FUN.
FIGHT BACK. FIGHT. BACK.

FI...
...GHT...
BACK...

...T BA...
...BA... CK...


URGH...
...IGHT...
...BA...
FI...GHT...
...BACK...
YES, THAT'S MUCH...

WHUK
...BETTER !!
SWOOP
BSHT
SEE, YOU CAN DO IT AFTER ALL!!
FWUMP
GAHK...


BLEGH!
ULP...
BLEGH!

KTHUD
GRFH !!

YOU TITANS...
...EAT PEOPLE, DON'T YOU?

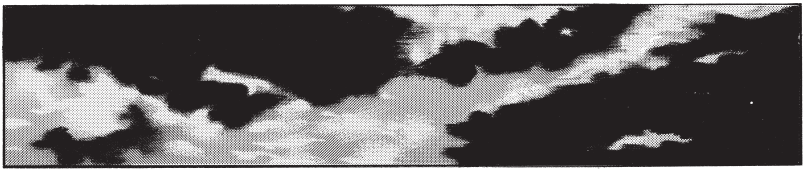
I SAW ONE IN SHIGANSHINA ABOUT A MONTH AGO.
I DIDN'T GET TO SEE IT EAT ANYONE, OF COURSE...
WHACK
WHUMP
WHUMP

WHUMP
SO WHAT DO HUMANS TASTE LIKE, ANYWAY?!
WHUMP
I BET WE'RE DELICIOUS!
TWITCH
TWITCH!
HUFF...
HUFF...
ROLL...
DO YOU GAIN A TITAN'S STRENGTH IF YOU EAT IT?!
I WONDER IF YOU CAN EAT TITANS, TOO...?

CHOMP
HRRG...
AAH...
BWAH
BLEGH!
WAH...
AHH...
...HUH?

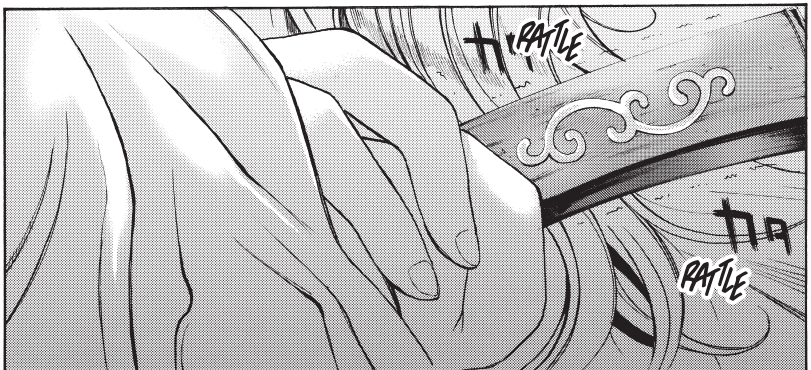
FIGHT ...
... BACK ...
DID I GO A LITTLE TOO FAR?
OH, WELL.
YOU'RE A TITAN. YOU CAN'T BREAK DOWN SO EASILY.
KNK
THAT'S RIGHT.
FIGHT ...
BACK ...
SHOMP
EAT IT ALL, NOW.

KCHAK
CHOMP
CHOMP
KSH...
KRK



TITAN'S... SON...

WH O OOO SH

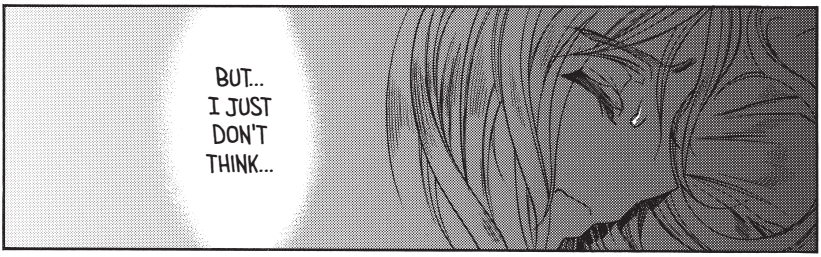


SQUEEZE

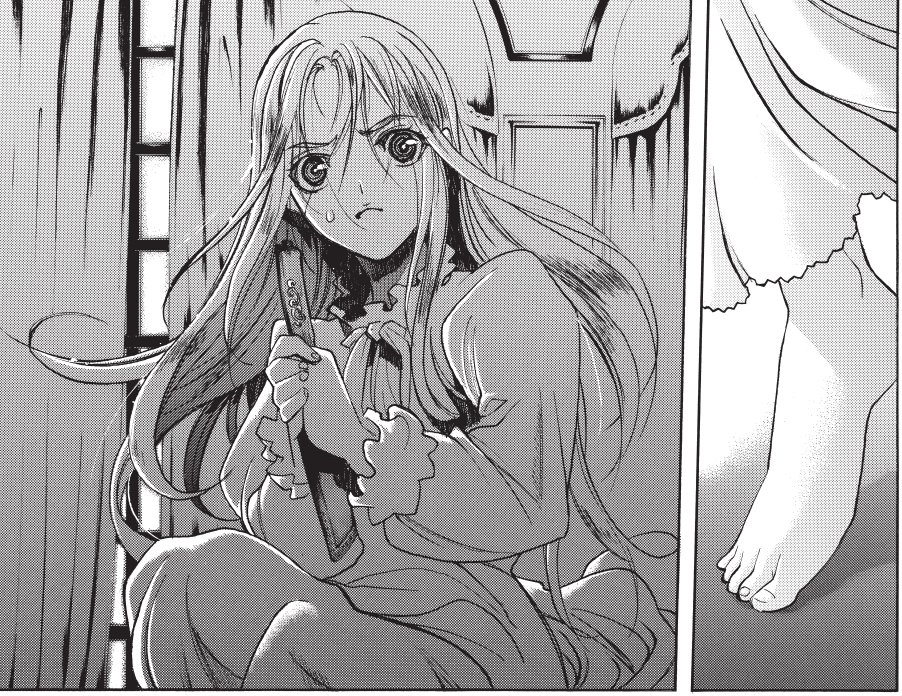
...I'M SCARED...

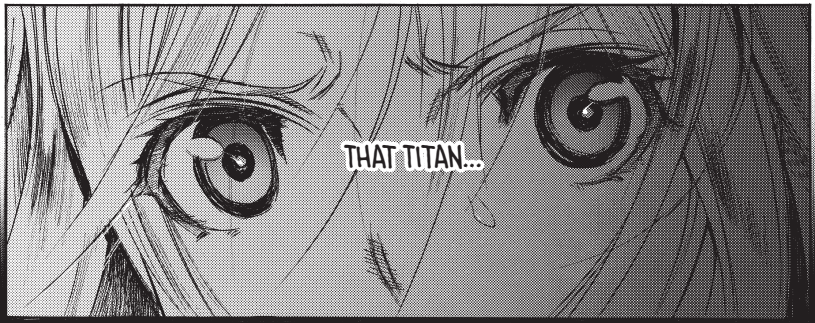
THERE'S A TITAN IN OUR HOUSE...

I GUESS FATHER MUST KNOW WHAT HE'S DOING, FOR BROTHER'S SAKE...


BUT... I JUST DON'T THINK...

...IT SHOULD BE LIVING IN OUR HOUSE...





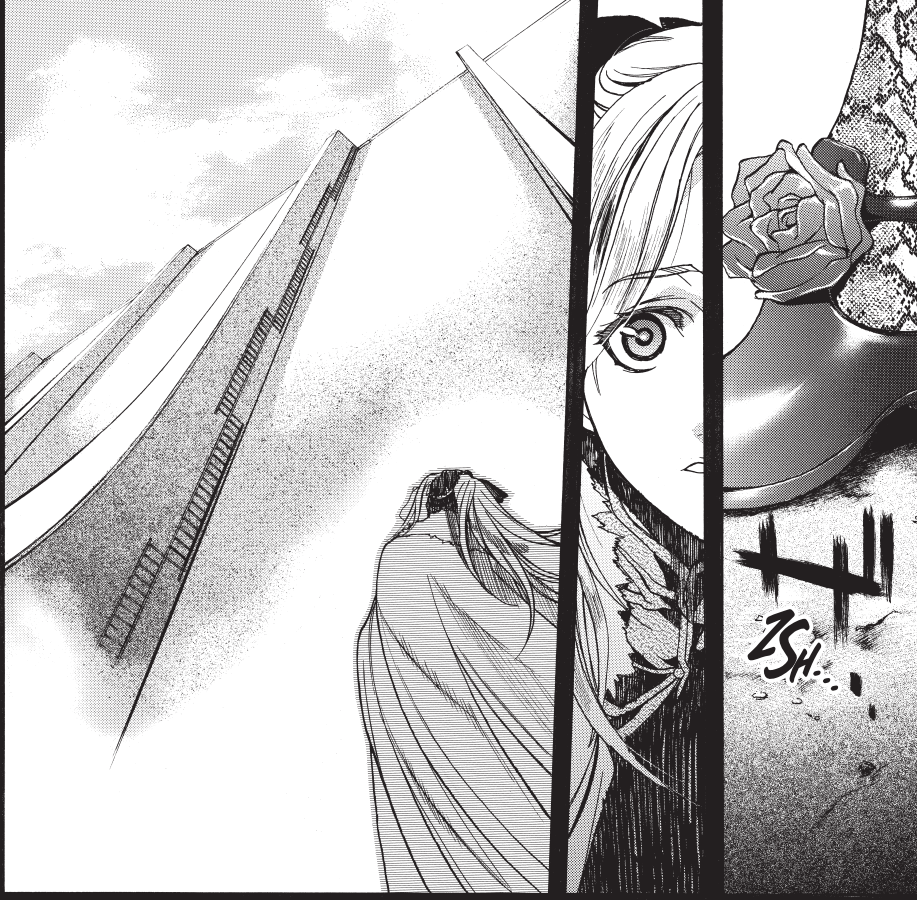
THAT **MONSTER**...
I'VE GOT TO...

WOO-
HOOO
!!
FINALLY,
WALL MARIA!
THE FARTHEST
REACHES OF
OUR
TERRITORY!!
SO
THE TITANS
ARE REALLY
JUST ON THE
OTHER SIDE
OF THIS
WALL?!!

I'D NEVER SEE WALL MARIA IF I SPENT MY WHOLE LIFE TRAPPED BEHIND WALL SHEENA!
IT WAS WORTH COMING TO SHIGANSHINA FOR OUR FAMILY VACATION, FATHER!
HAVEN'T THEY FINISHED TALKING YET?
TSK!
!
RIGHT, FATHER ?!
OF COURSE...
AFTER ALL, WHO DECIDES TO VISIT THE WALL MARIA RESTRICTED AREA ON A WHIM?
THEY WON'T LET US THROUGH THAT EASILY...

I AM CURIOUS...
...ABOUT THE OUTSIDE WORLD...
JUST NOT LIKE THIS...

IT'S ALL SETTLED. WE'RE FREE TO GO.
REALLY ?!
THAT'S RIGHT!
WE'RE GOING ATOP THE WALL!
YAHOO!
I'LL BE FIRST TO THE TOP!!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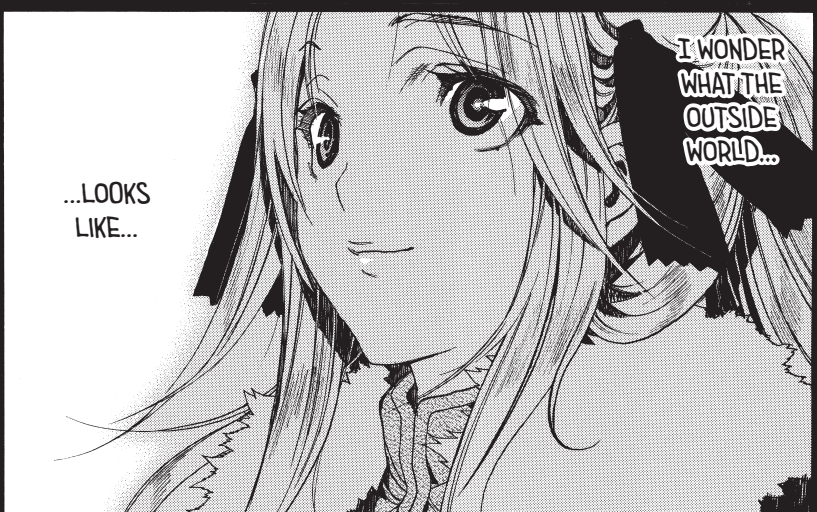
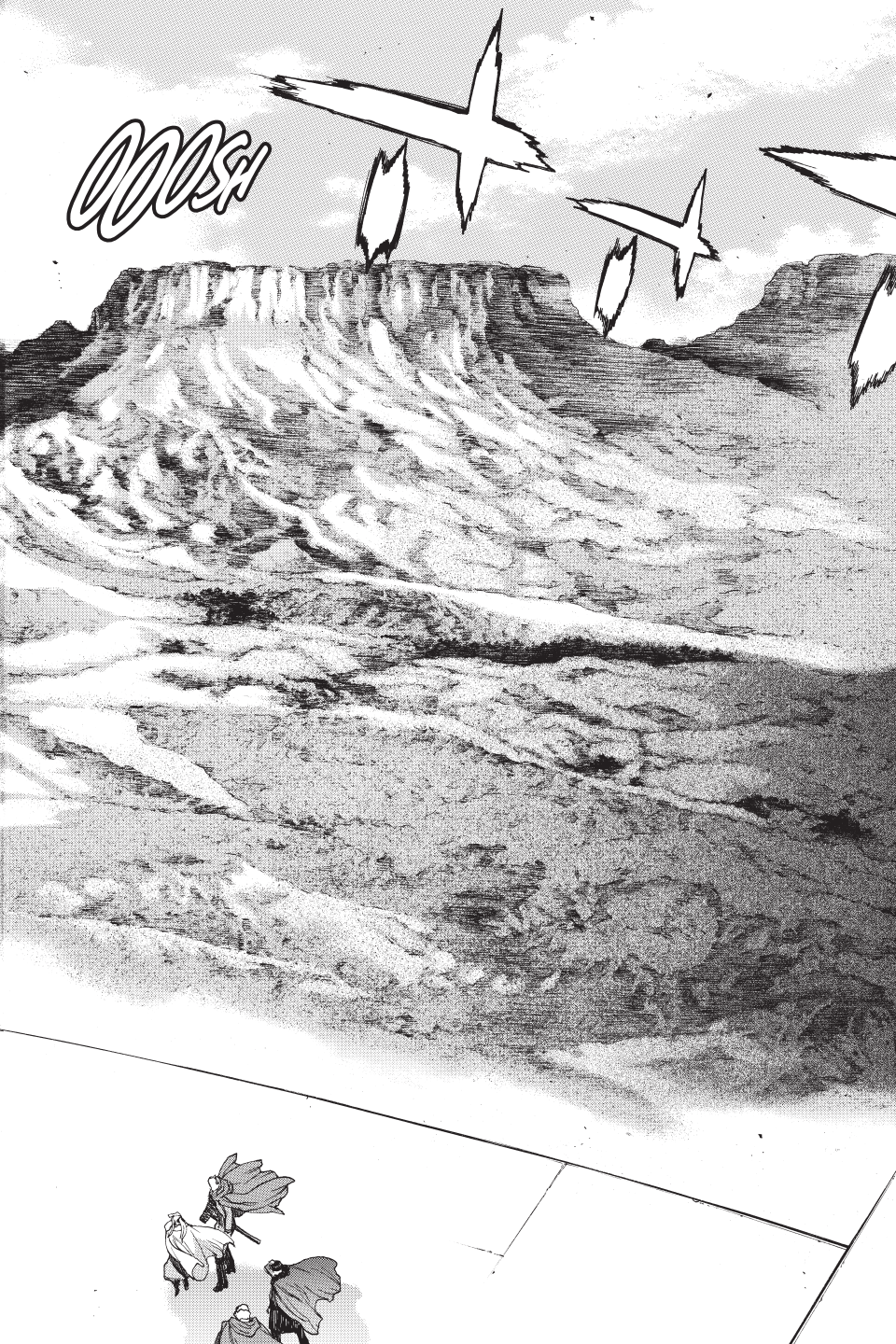
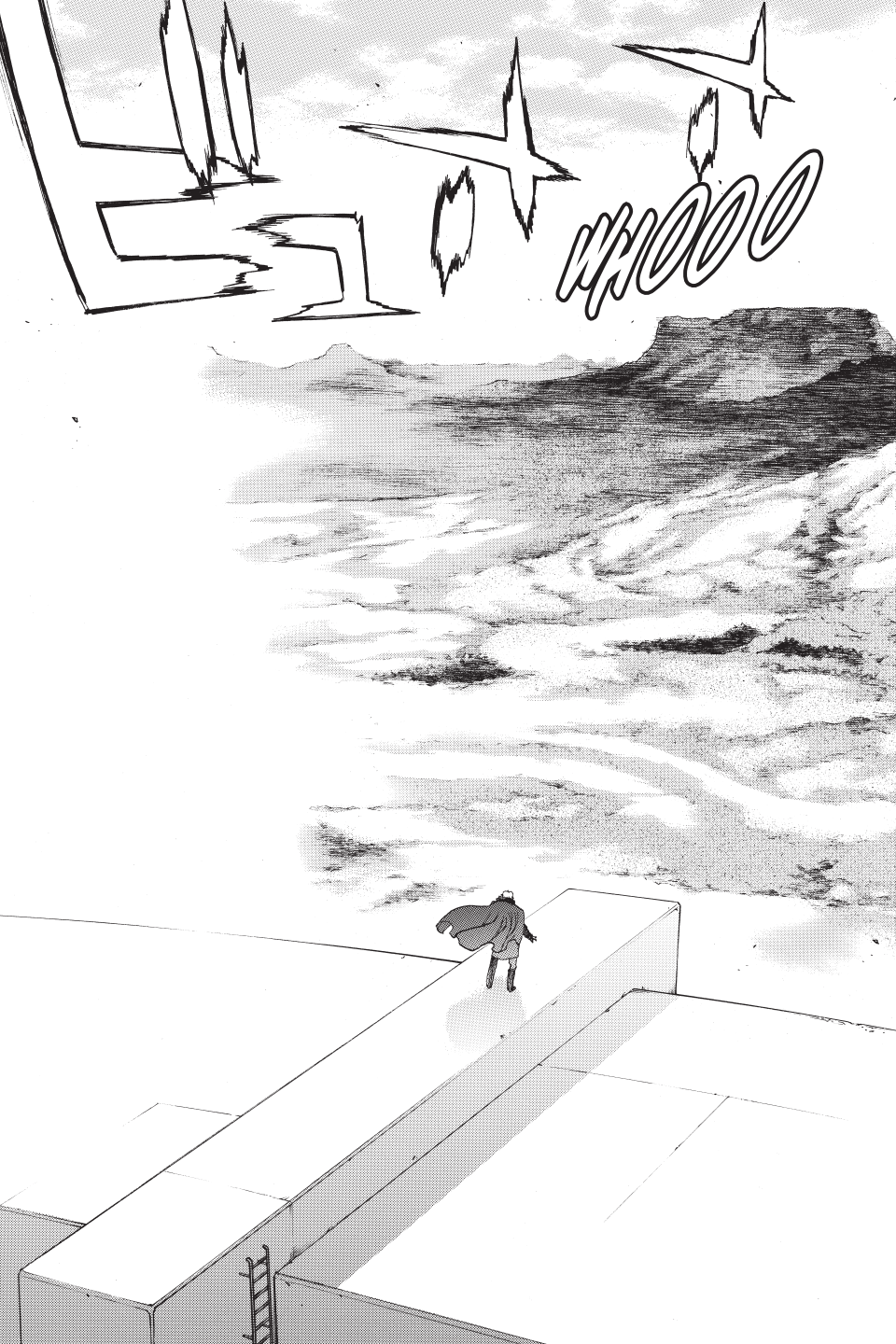
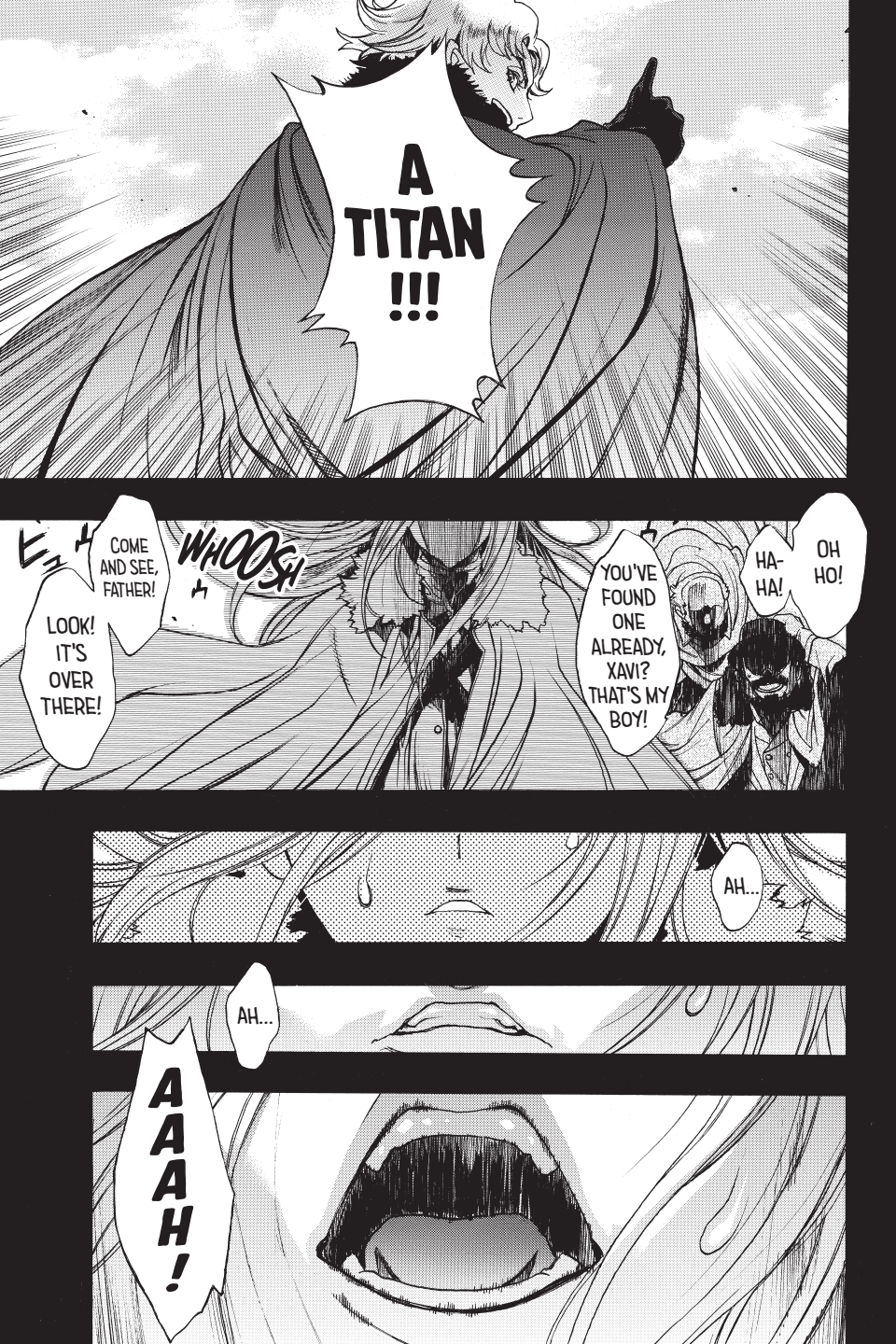

I WONDER WHAT THE OUTSIDE WORLD...
...LOOKS LIKE...

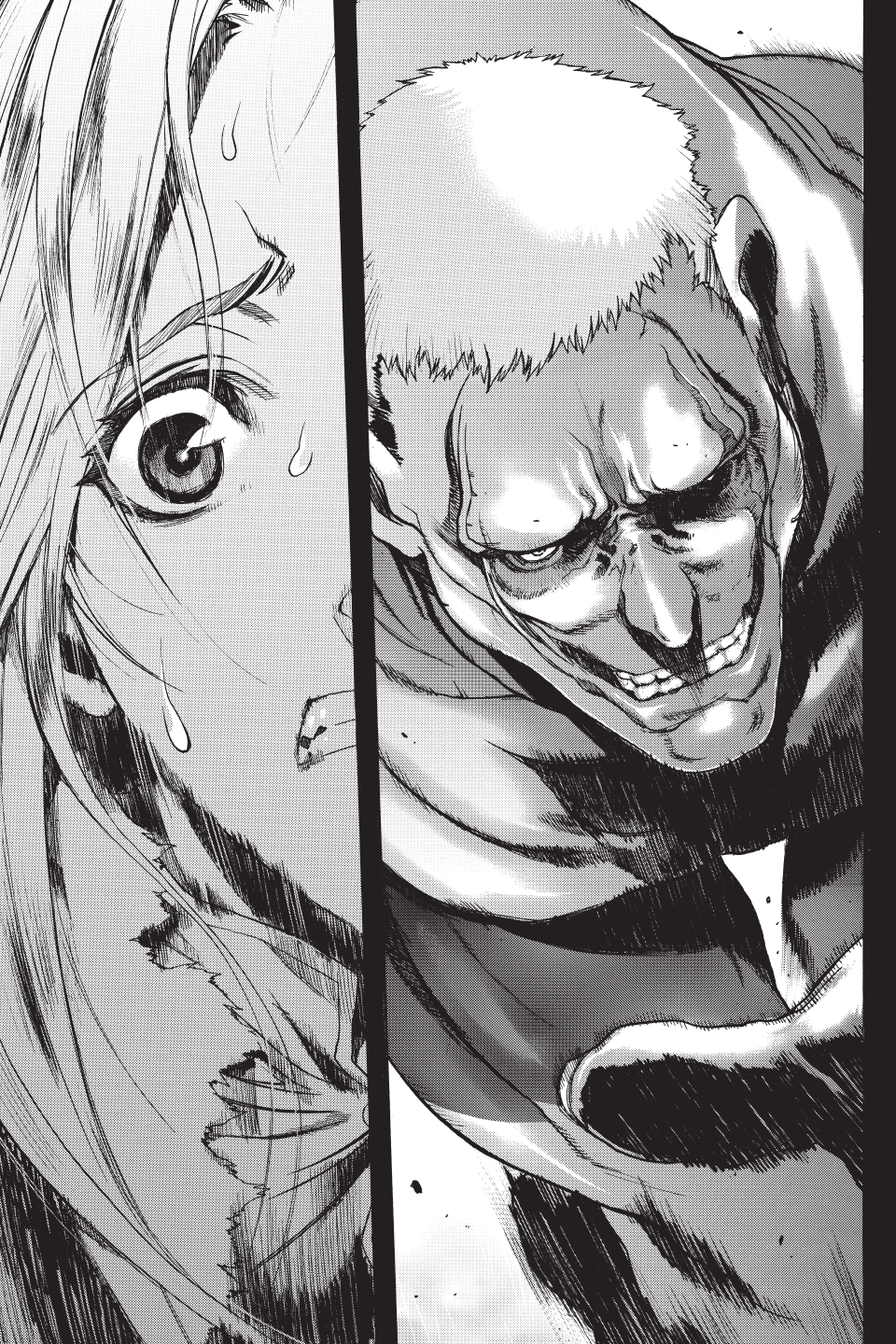
THE ONLY THING WE KNOW...
THERE'S NO INFORMATION ON WHAT LIES OUTSIDE IN ANY RECORDS.
...IS THAT PEOPLE CAN'T LIVE OUT THERE, BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE TITANS ROAM...
IT MEANS I'M AT THE VERY EDGE OF HUMAN CIVILIZATION...
TO BE HERE, WHERE I CAN SEE IT...
IT'S THE OUTSIDE WORLD!
COME, YOU MUST SEE THIS!
THERE YOU ARE, SHARLE! ABOUT TIME!
WHOOOOSH
AND BEYOND THIS WALL IS...
ガコ!
KHUNK


OOOSH

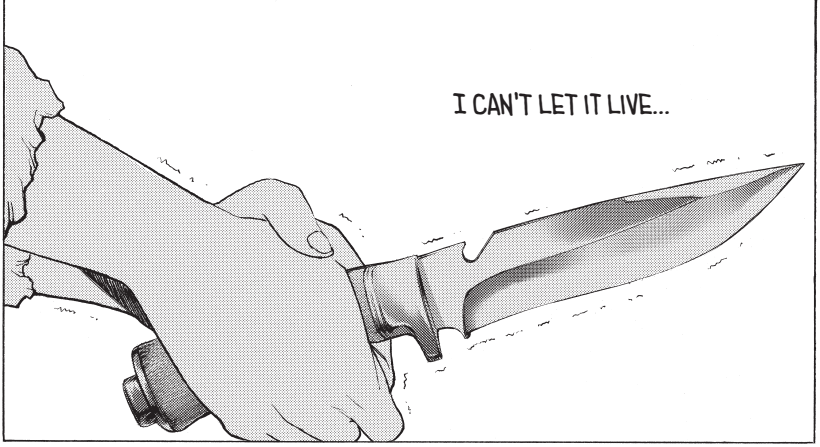

WHOOO

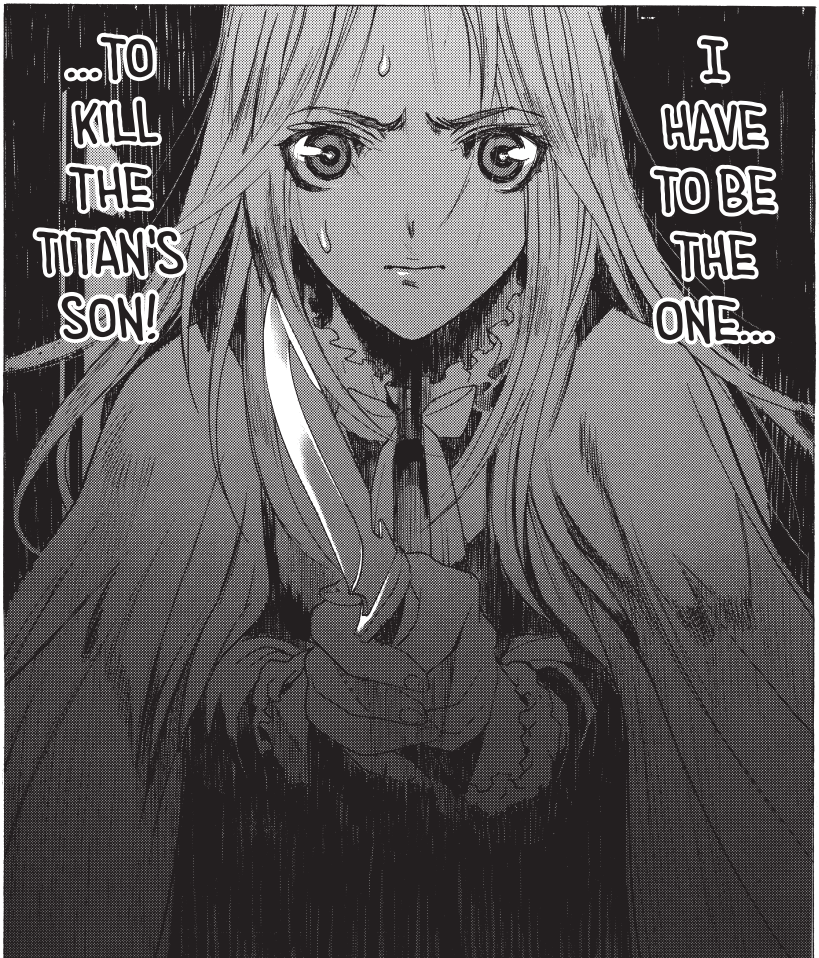
OHOH
WHO
OHOSH
SO THIS...
...IS THE OUTSIDE... WORLD...
THE ONLY REASON WE CAN'T KNOW THE ANSWER... IS...
WHAT'S BEYOND WHAT I CAN SEE?
WHAT IF THERE'S A STRANGE LAND OVER THE HORIZON, AND IT JUST WASN'T IN THE OLD BOOKS?
THERE'S NOTHING OUT THERE... JUST AN EMPTY... WASTE-LAND...


A TITAN !!!
COME AND SEE, FATHER!
WHOOSH
LOOK! IT'S OVER THERE!
OH HO!
HA-HA!
YOU'VE FOUND ONE ALREADY, XAVI? THAT'S MY BOY!
AH...
AH...
AAAH!



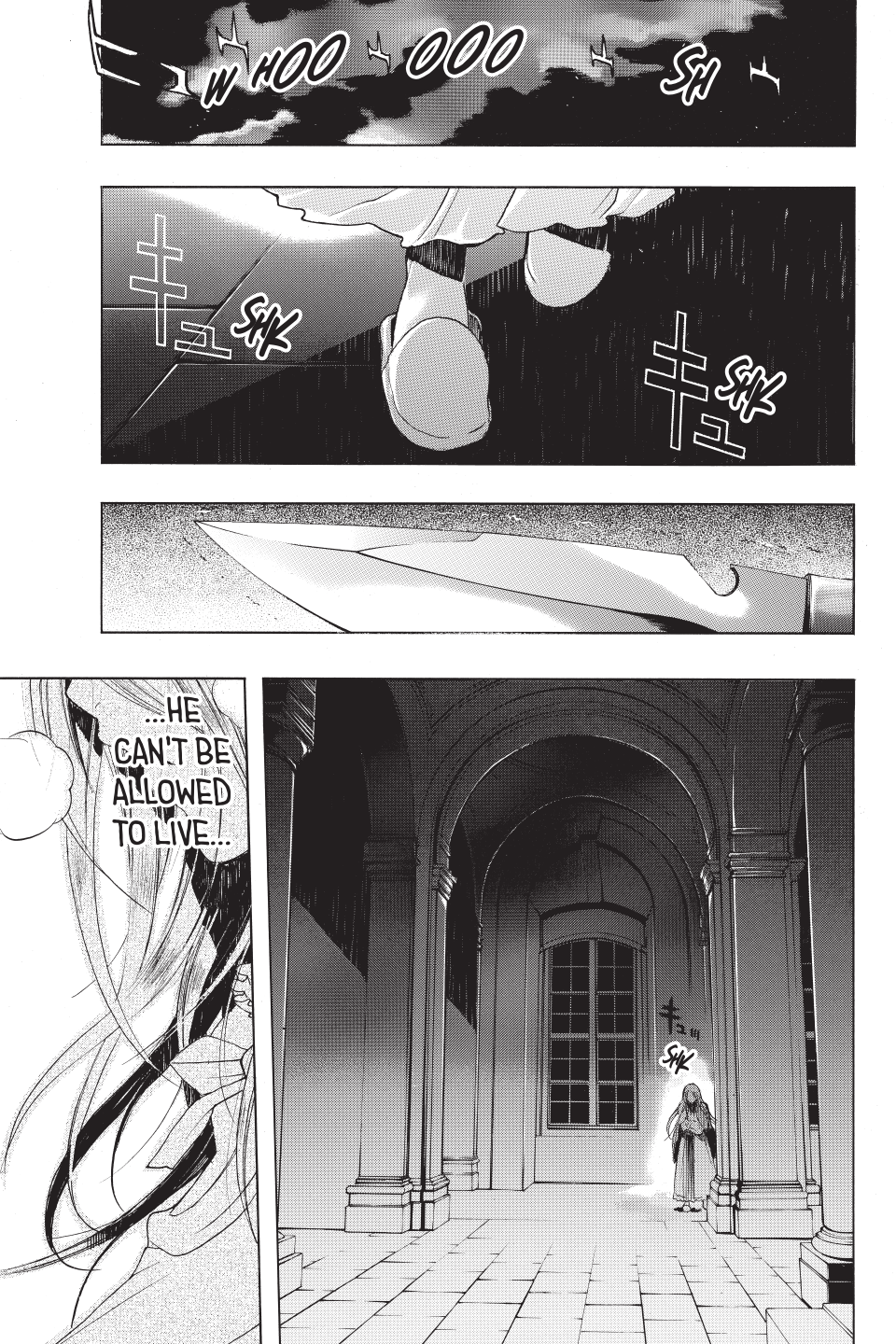
SHARLE?!
HOW CAN THEY DO IT...?
HOW CAN THEY LET SUCH A MONSTER INTO OUR HOME...?


I CAN'T LET IT LIVE...

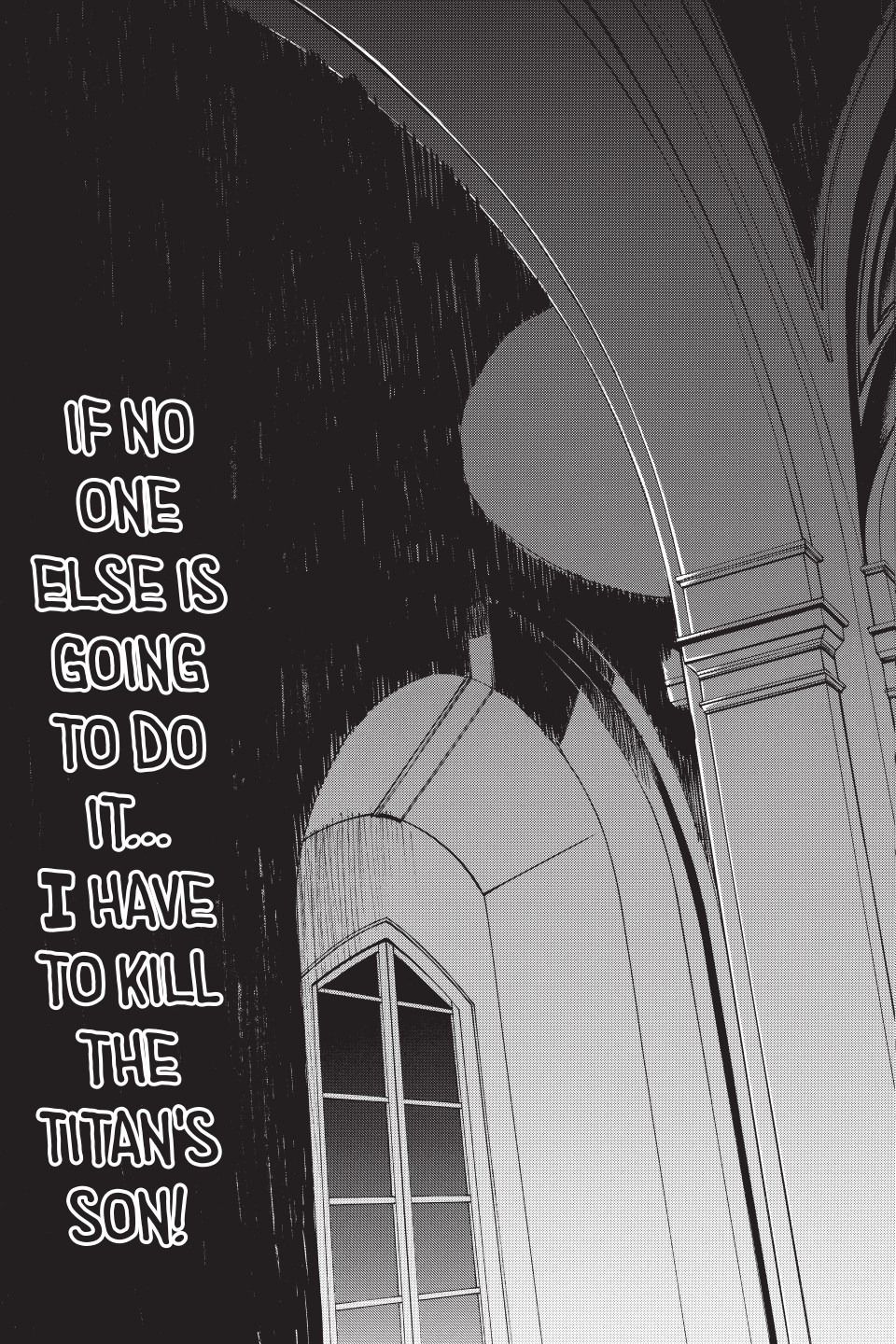

I HAVE TO BE THE ONE...
...TO KILL THE TITAN'S SON!

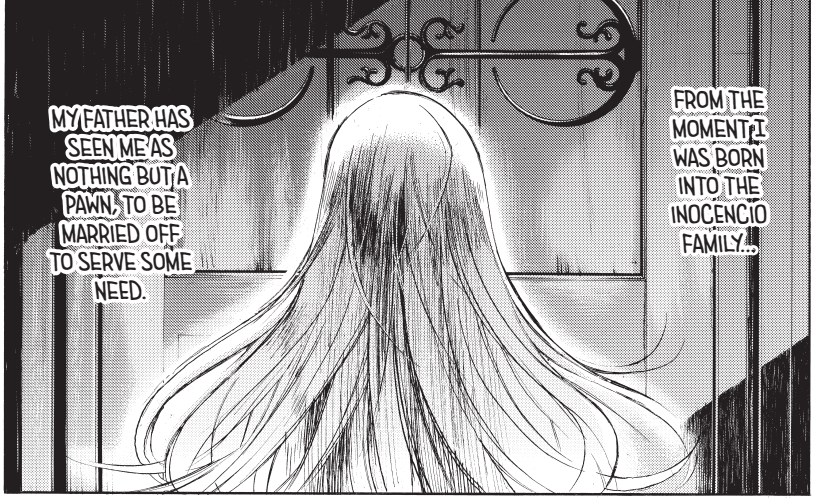
Chapter 2: Her Determination END

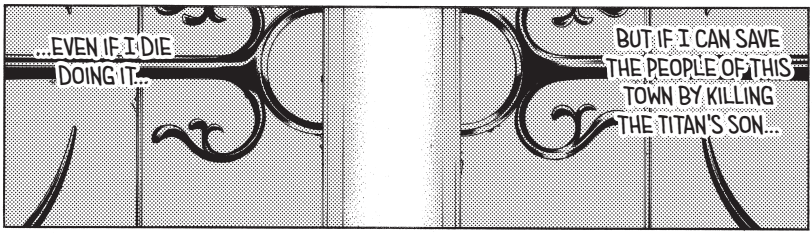
ATTACK
ON TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL

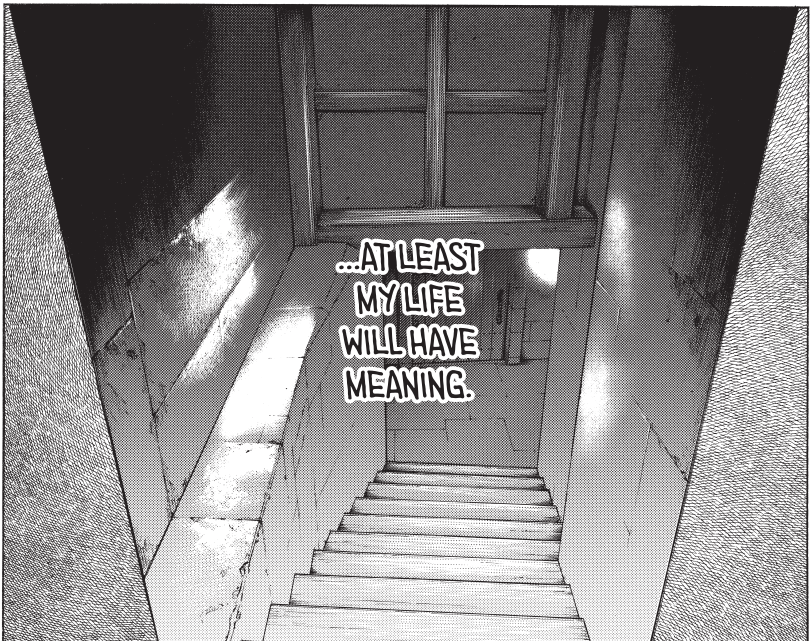

WHOO OOO SH
SHK
SHK
SHK
...HE CAN'T BE ALLOWED TO LIVE...

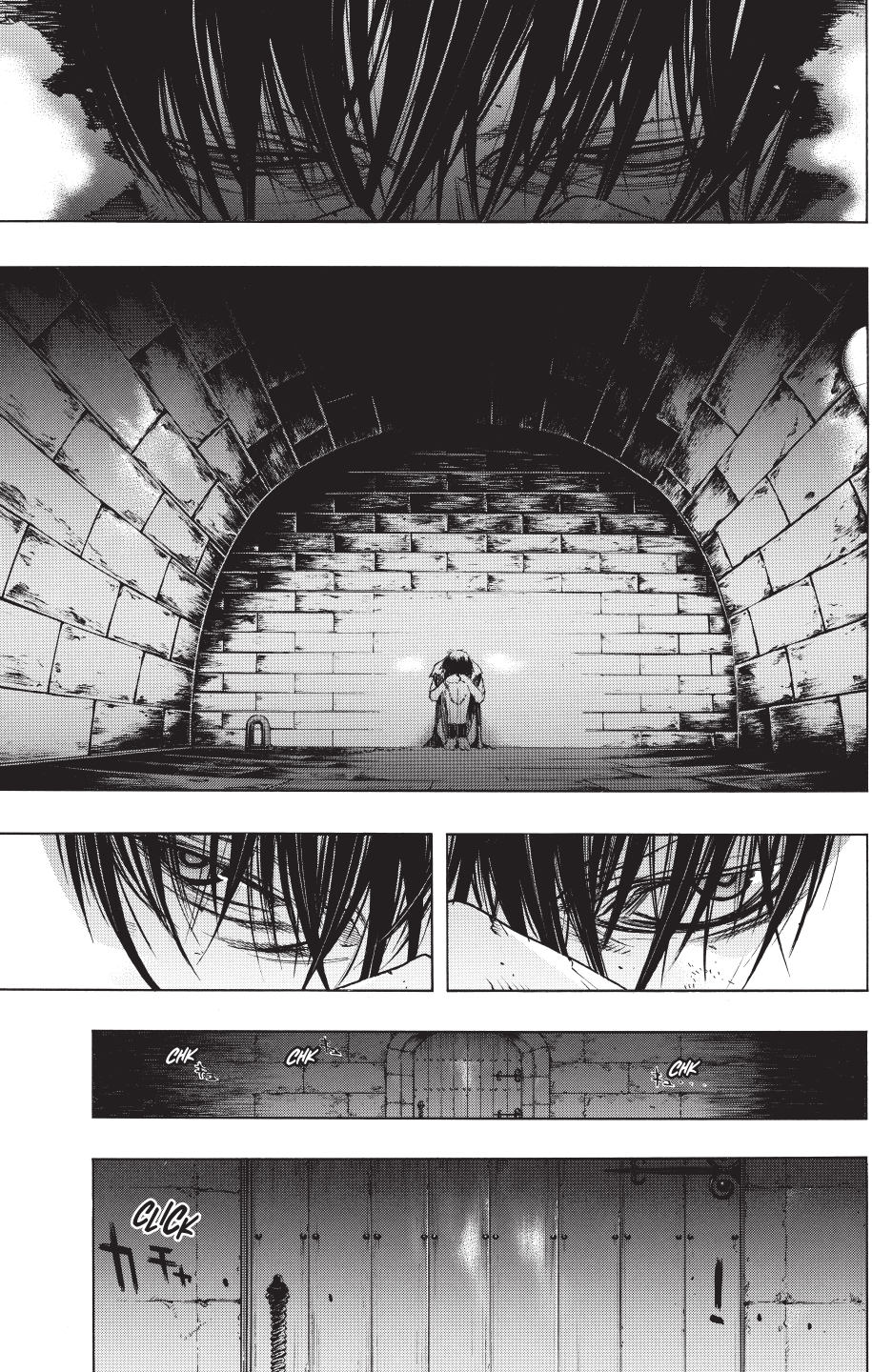
Chapter 3:
Moonlit Oath


IF NO ONE ELSE IS GOING TO DO IT...
I HAVE TO KILL THE TITAN'S SON!


MY FATHER HAS SEEN ME AS NOTHING BUT A PAWN, TO BE MARRIED OFF TO SERVE SOME NEED.
FROM THE MOMENT I WAS BORN INTO THE INOCENCIO FAMILY...


...EVEN IF I DIE DOING IT...
BUT IF I CAN SAVE THE PEOPLE OF THIS TOWN BY KILLING THE TITAN'S SON...


...AT LEAST MY LIFE WILL HAVE MEANING.


CHK
CHK
CHK
CLICK
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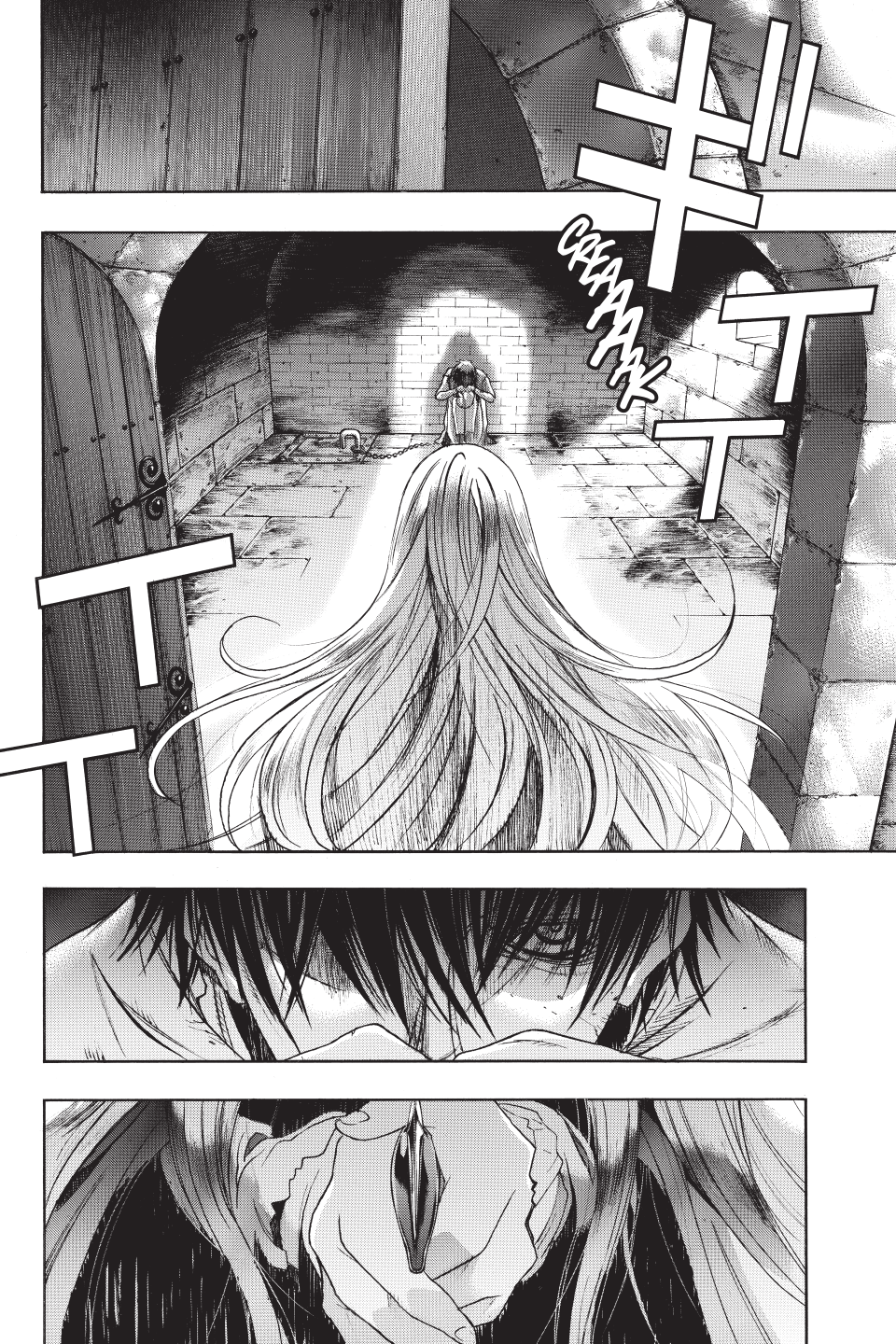
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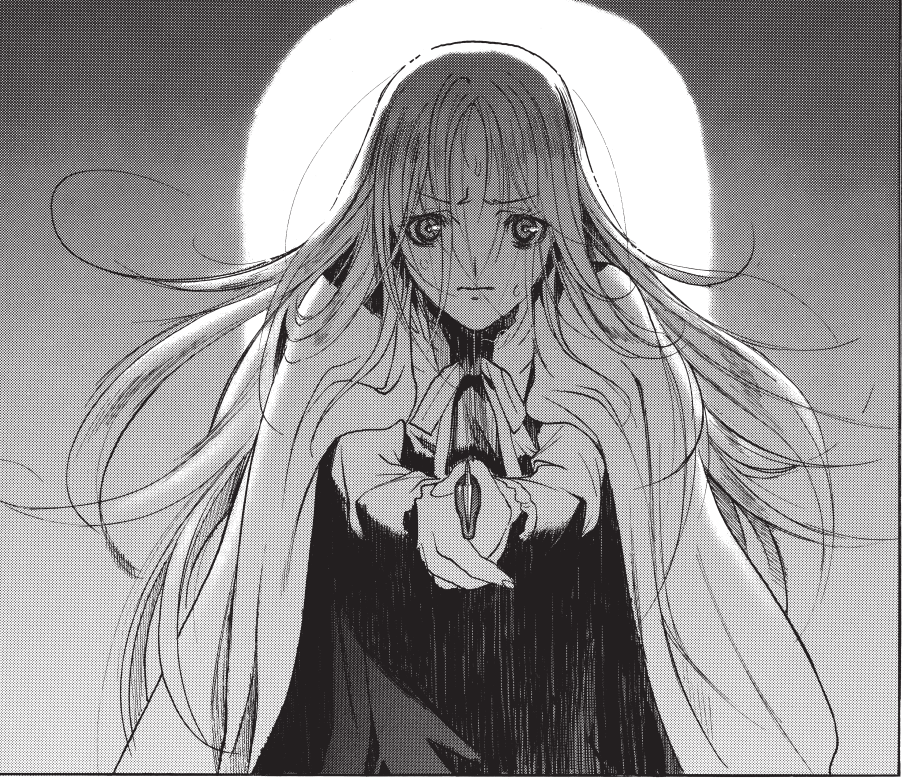
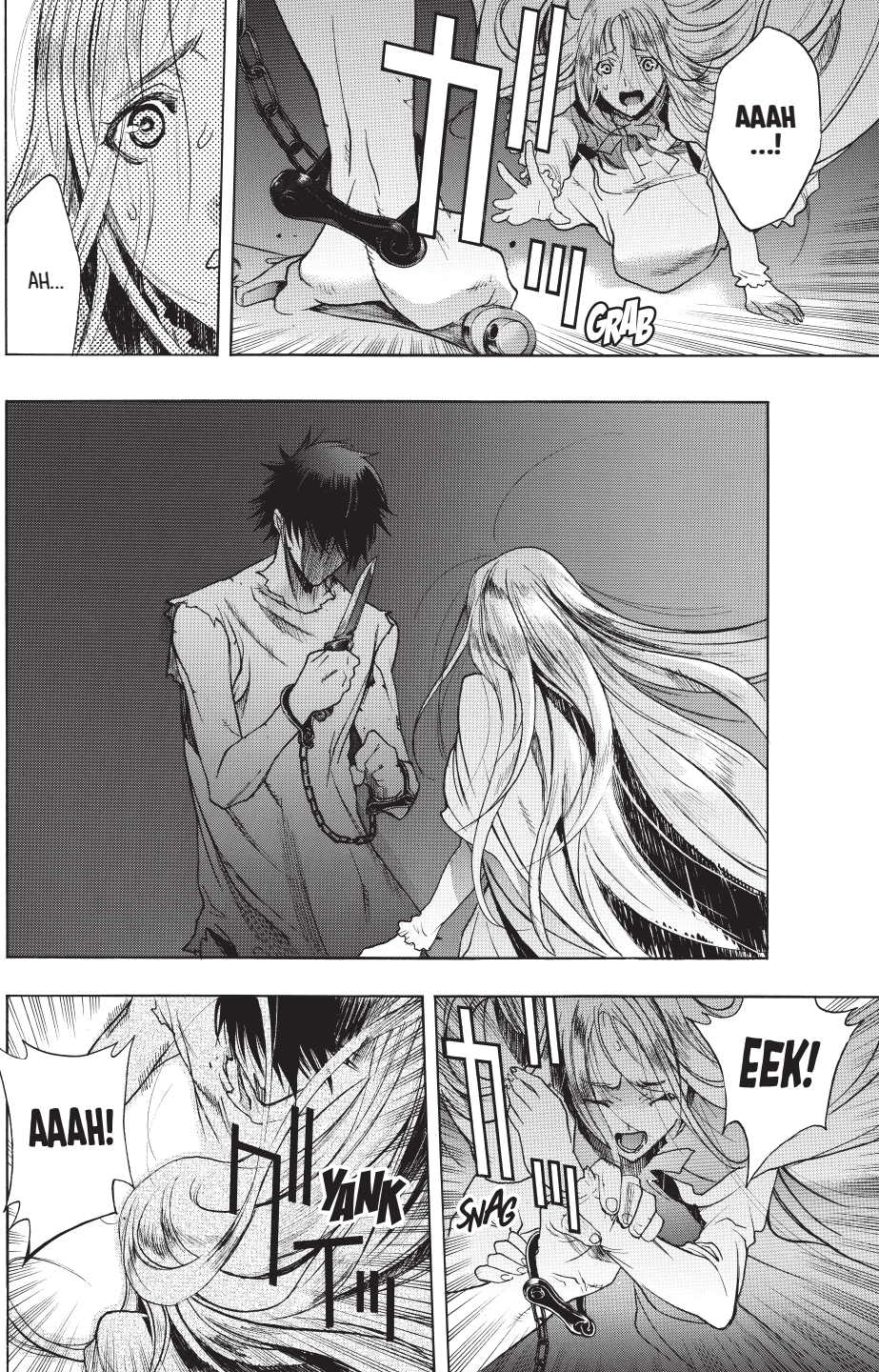


CHATTER
CHATTER
WAVER...
FIGHT... BACK...
THIS...
...IS A TITAN...?

P-
PLEASE
...
DON'T
FIGHT
BACK
...
FLINCH
LURCH
AH...
KSHANK
CLANK
CLANK


AH...
AAAH ...!
GRAB
AAAH!
YANK
SNAG
EEK!

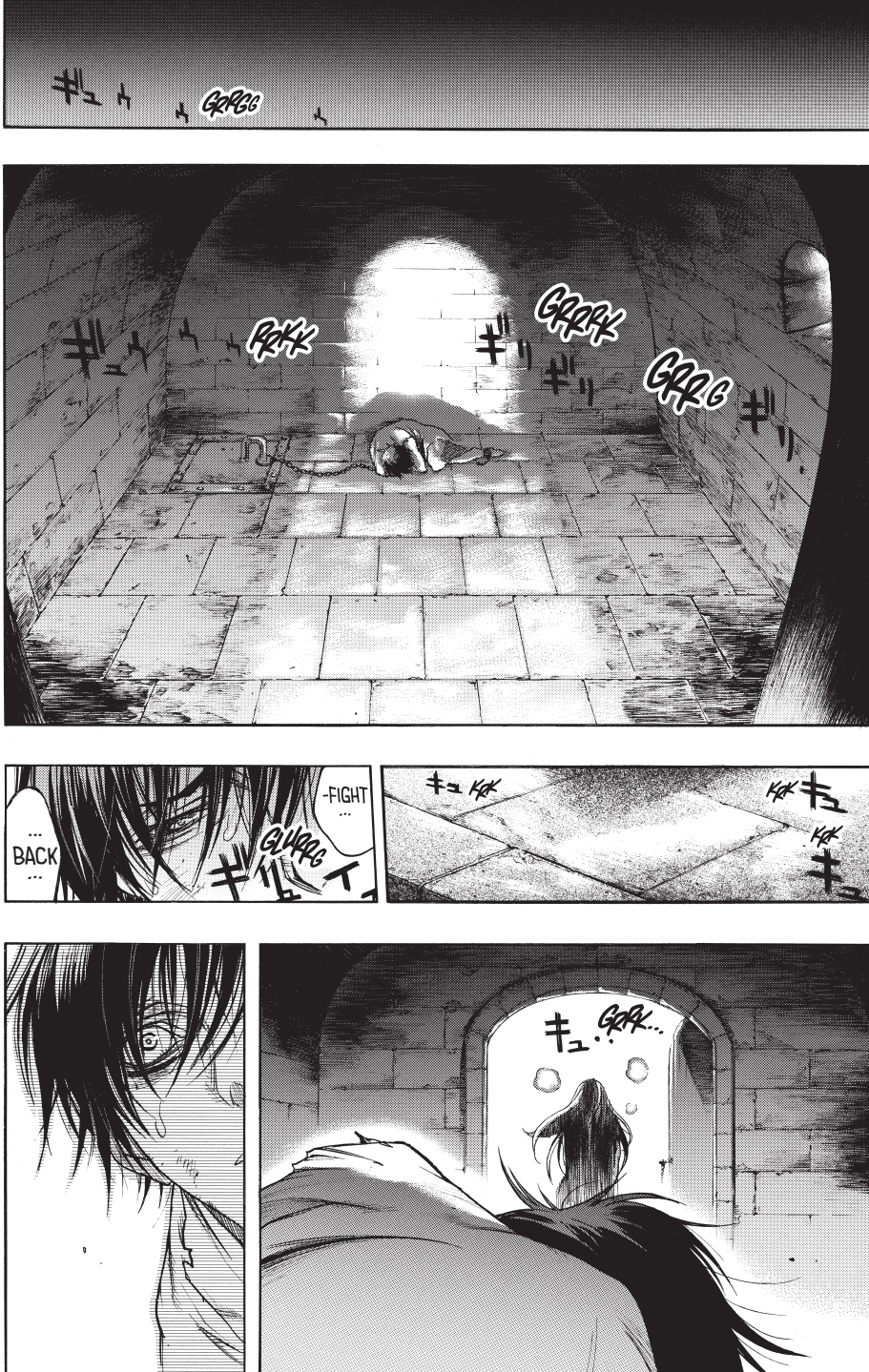
HUH...?
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN ...?
WH...
?!
HRRG

CLANK
DO... DO YOU WANT TO DIE?!
WAIT... WAIT!!
SWISH
WHY WOULD YOU...?
WH-WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT?!
FIGHT BACK.
FIGHT BACK.
I CAME HERE TO KILL YOU, AND YET...
HEH... YOU COULD ASK ME THE SAME.

...HUH?
FIGHT BACK.
FIGHT BACK.
OF COURSE, YOU WOULD FIGHT BACK...
YOU CAN TALK?!
BUT YOU'RE A TITAN !!
XAVI.
A-ARE YOU...?
XAVI IS MY BROTHER'S NAME...
XAVI.
XAVI.
...MY BROTH-ER...
THAT'S...

ARE YOU REALLY A TITAN'S SON?!
!!
GRRLK
?!
D-DOES IT HURT? OR ARE YOU JUST HUNGRY ?!
GUORG
IS THAT SOUND COMING FROM YOUR STOMACH ?!
GRRLG

FIGHT... BACK...
FI...
GRRK
CLANK


GRRG
RRK
GRRK
GRRG
...BACK...
-FIGHT...
GLRRG
GRK...

YOU'RE JUST HUNGRY... RIGHT?!
ギュ
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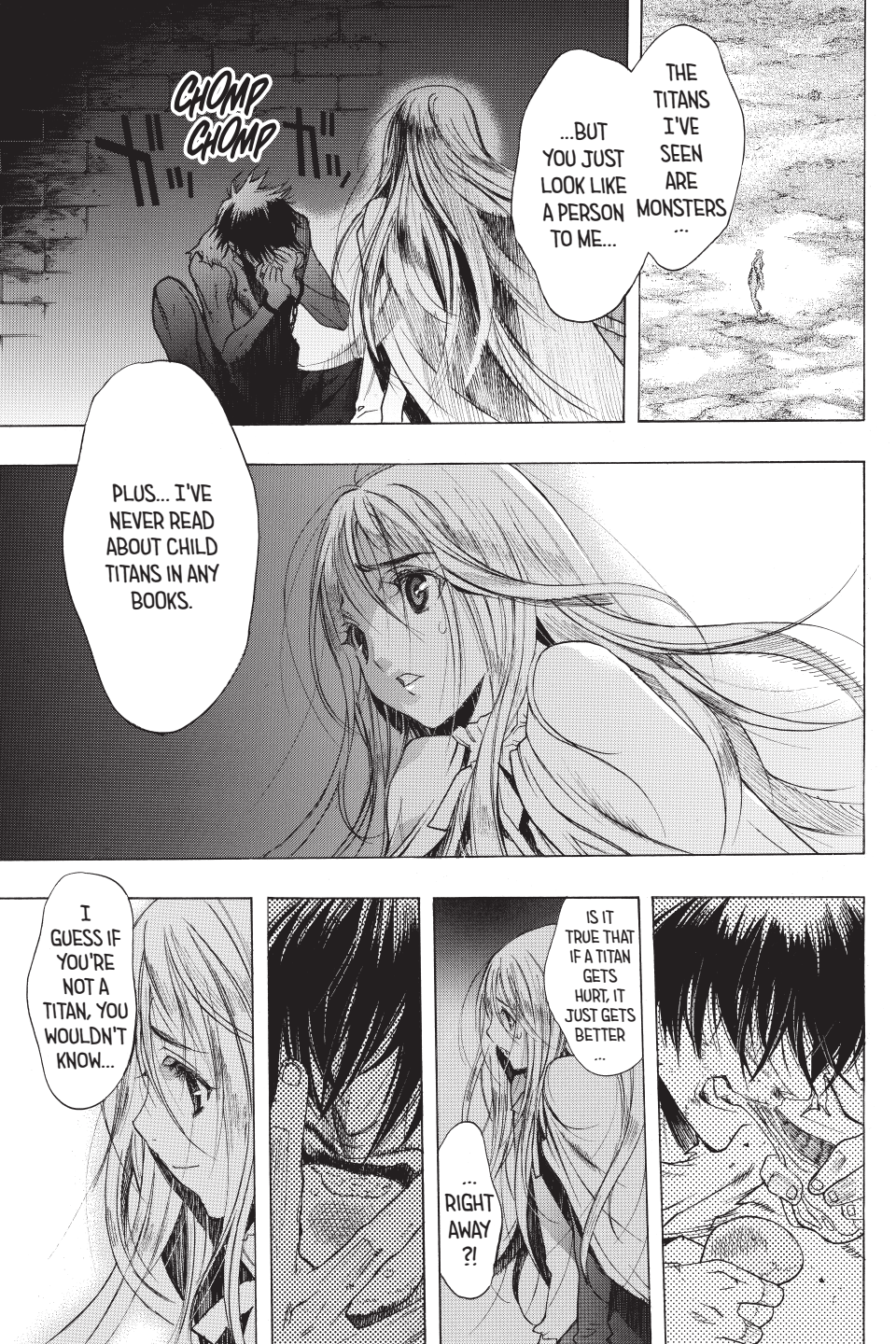
GLURRRG
DROOL
だらり
F-FIGHT...
JANGLE
JANGLE
...BACK...
...
SHFF
FIGHT...
...BA...

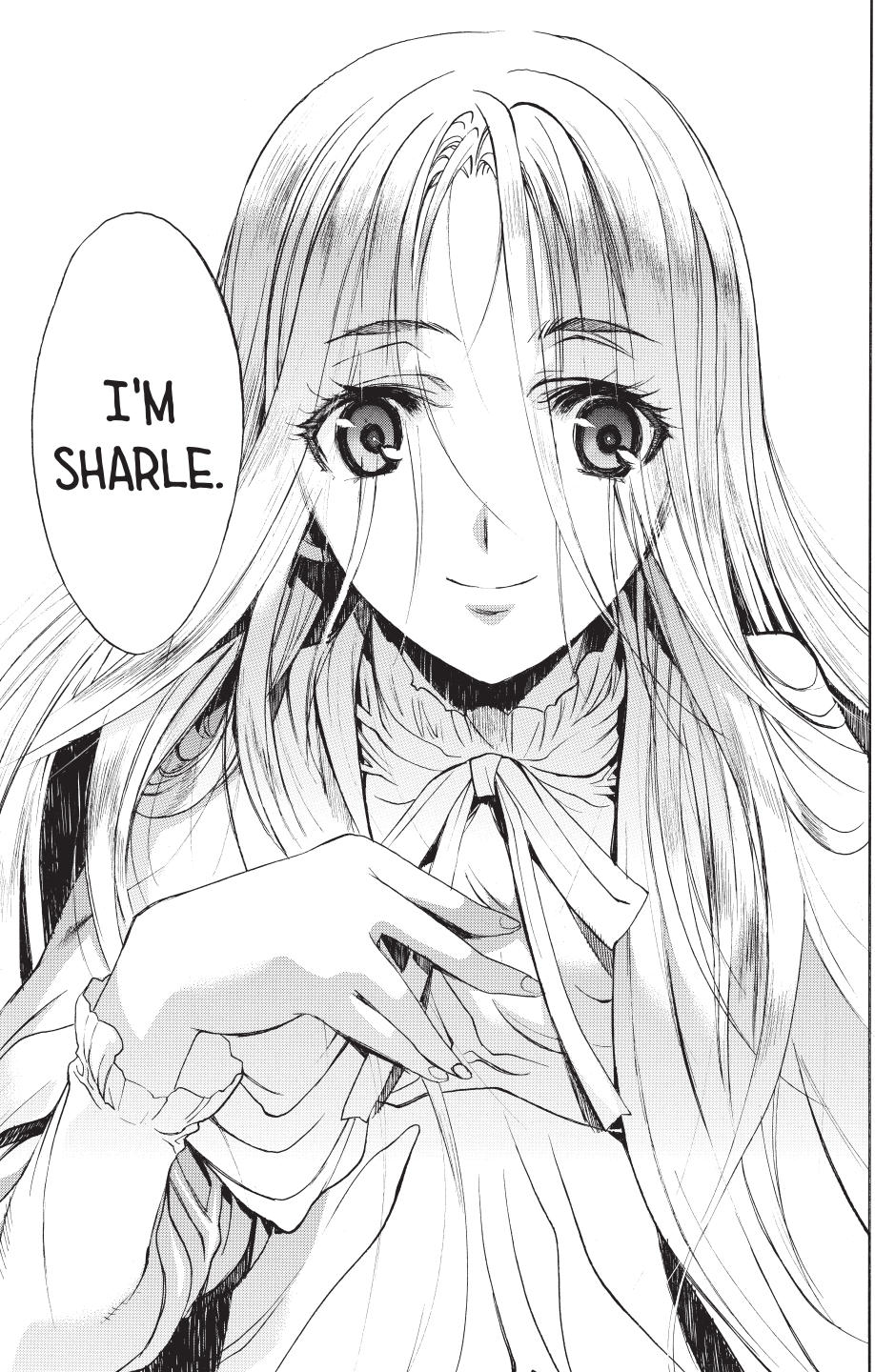
GRAB
CHOMP
CHOMP
SWISH
GASHK
SHUKK
...YOU'RE ...
YOU'RE... **NOT** A TITAN, ARE YOU...?
CHOMP


CHOMP CHOMP
THE TITANS I'VE SEEN ARE MONSTERS ...
...BUT YOU JUST LOOK LIKE A PERSON TO ME...
PLUS... I'VE NEVER READ ABOUT CHILD TITANS IN ANY BOOKS.
I GUESS IF YOU'RE NOT A TITAN, YOU WOULDN'T KNOW...
IS IT TRUE THAT IF A TITAN GETS HURT, IT JUST GETS BETTER ...
... RIGHT AWAY ?!

DID FATHER... BRING YOU HERE...?
LLP
LLP
LLP
LLP
GLP
GLP
CHOMP
GLUKK
PFWAHH

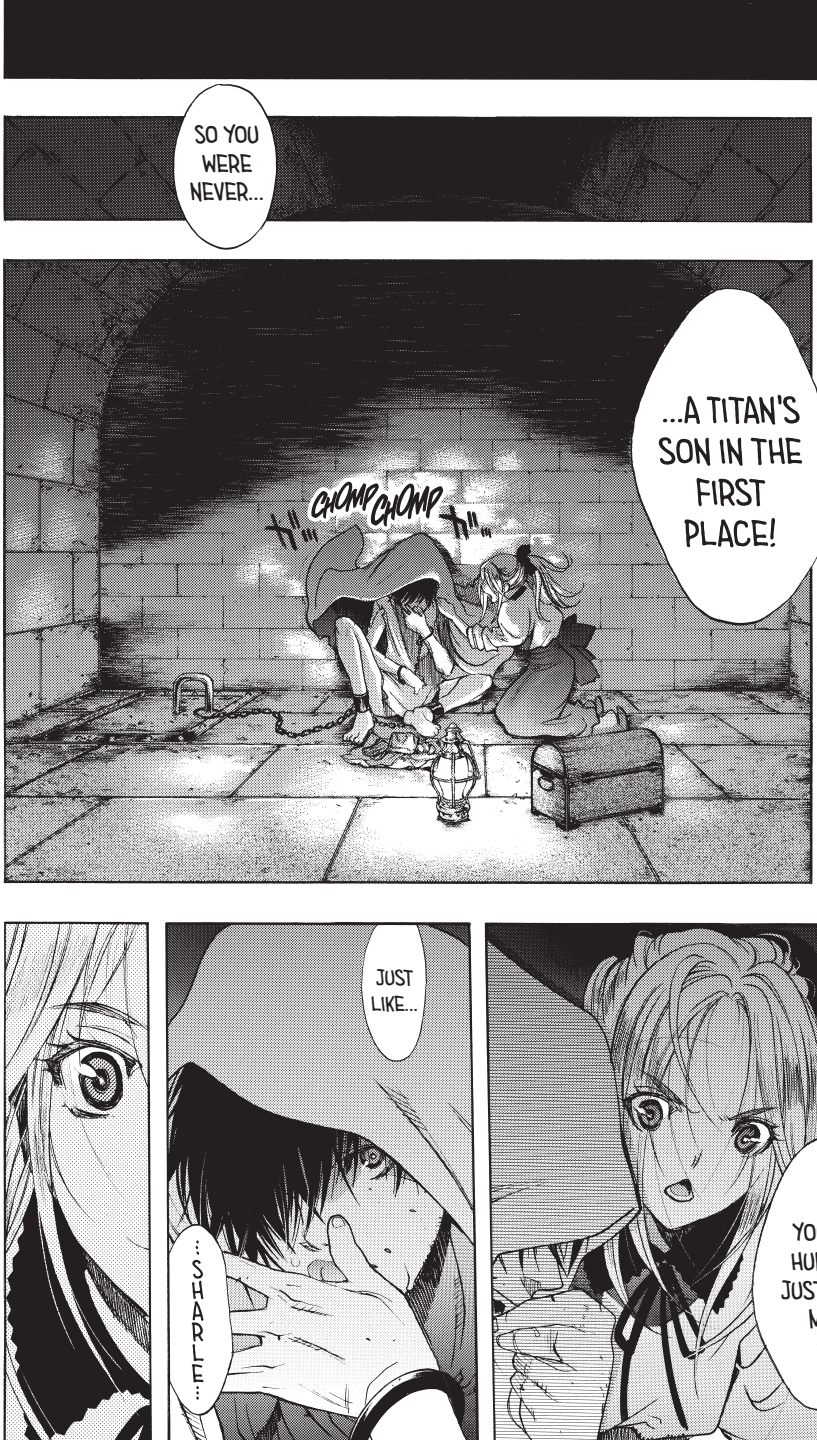
...NAME ...?
WHAT'S...
...YOUR NAME...?
YOU'RE NOT A TITAN, ARE YOU?

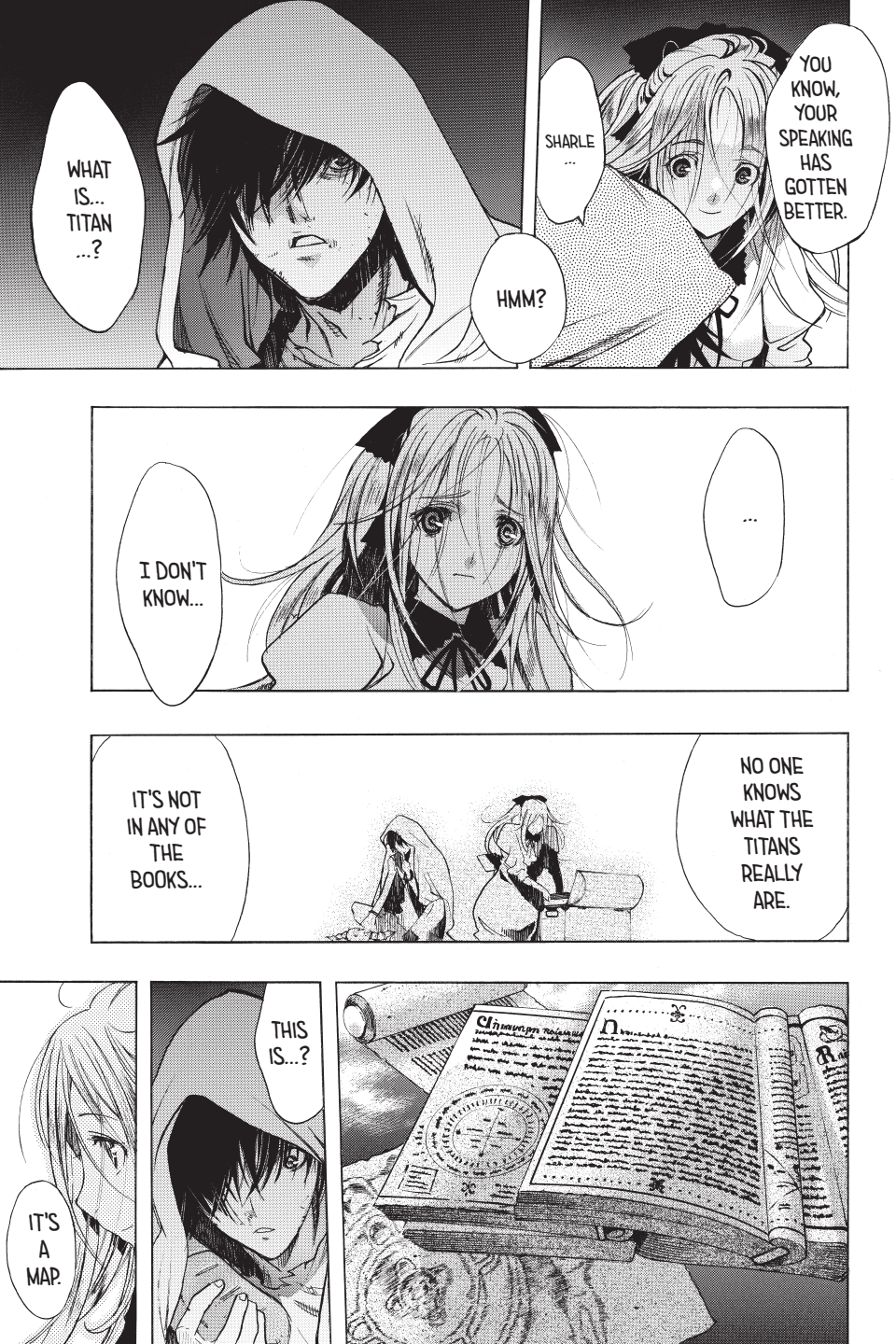
KUKLO.

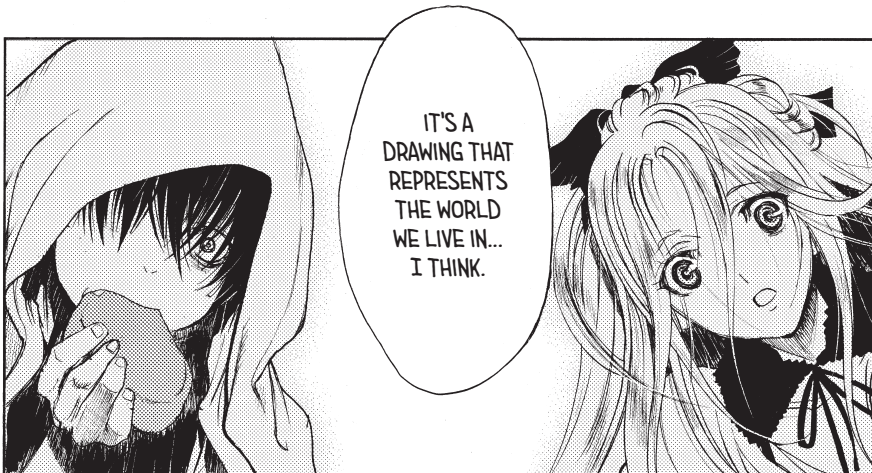

I'M SHARLE.

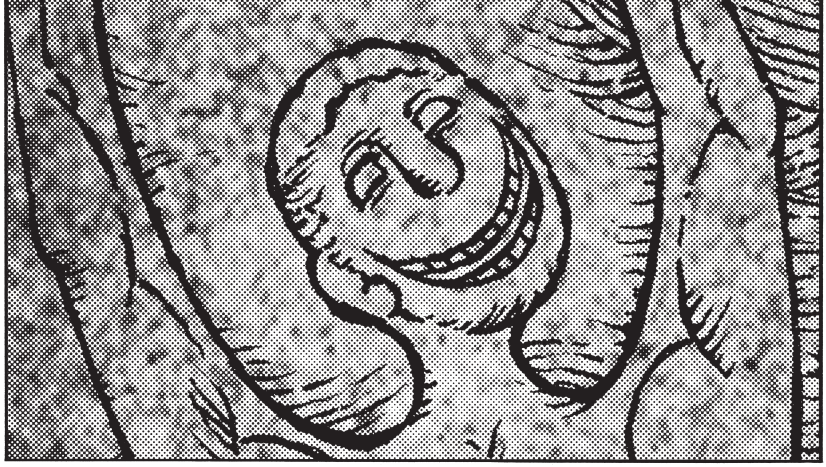
...KUKLO.
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU...
...?

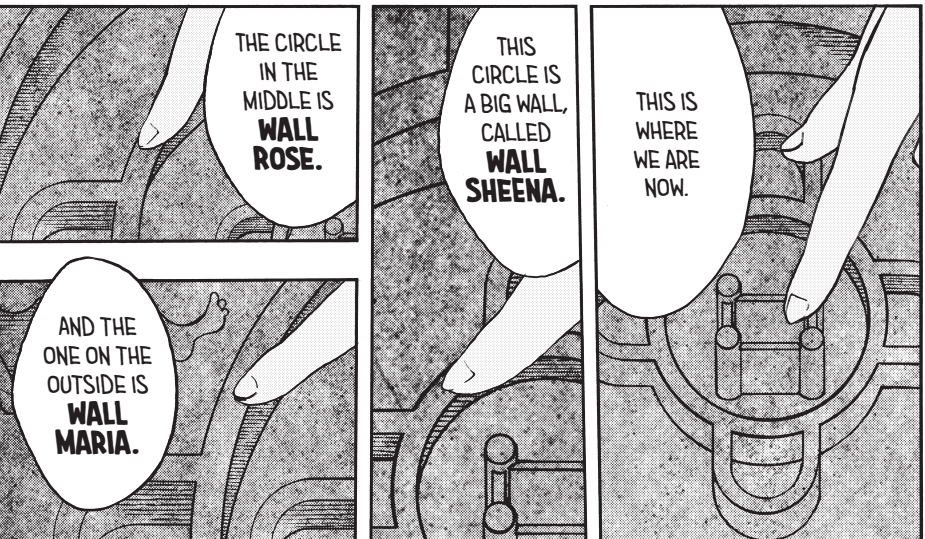
SHARLE...
NICE... MEET YOU...?

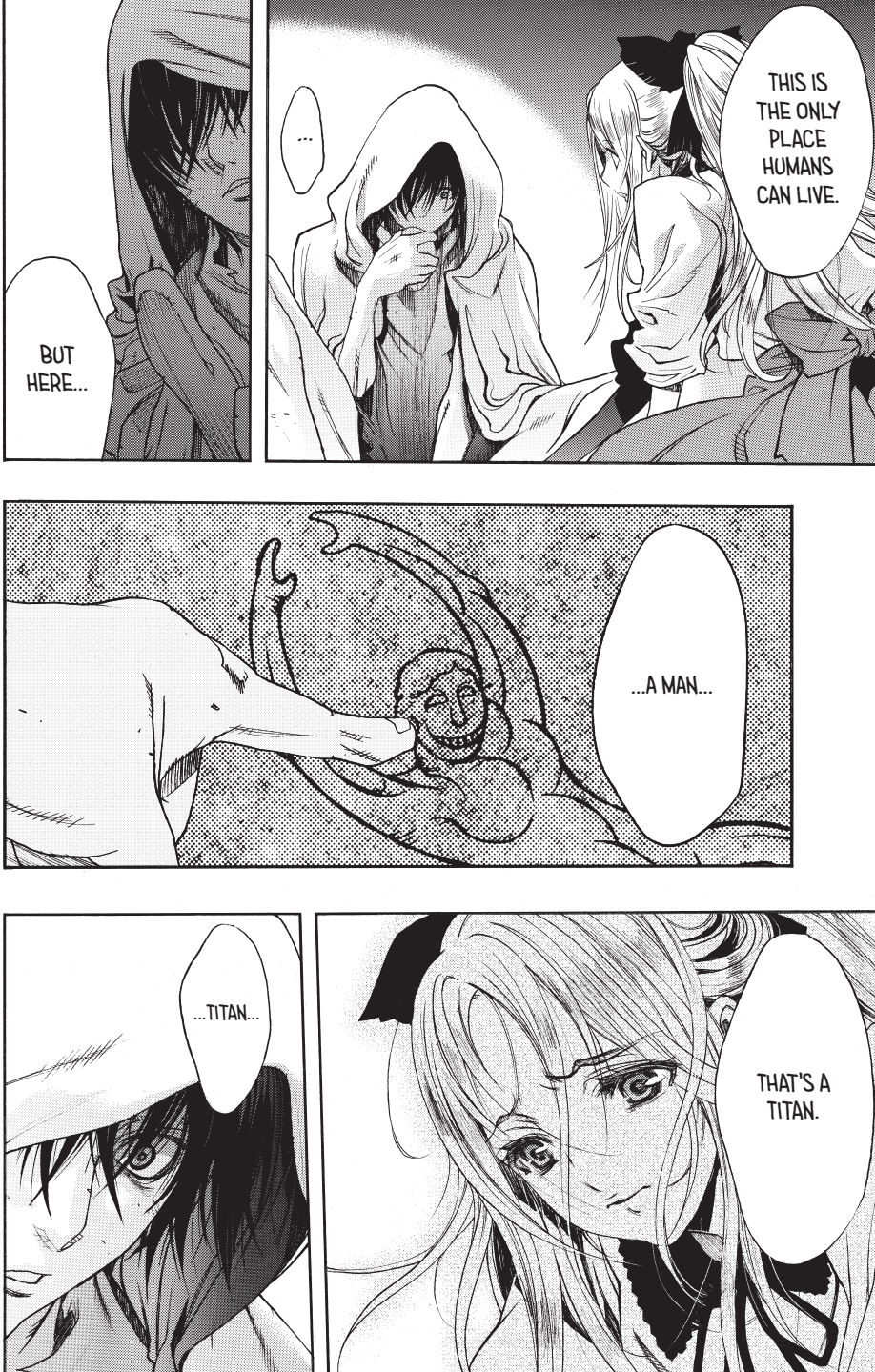

SO YOU WERE NEVER...
...A TITAN'S SON IN THE FIRST PLACE!
CHOMP CHOMP
JUST LIKE...
...SHARLE...
YOU'RE HUMAN! JUST LIKE ME!


YOU KNOW, YOUR SPEAKING HAS GOTTEN BETTER.
SHARLE ...
HMM?
WHAT IS... TITAN ...?
...
I DON'T KNOW...
NO ONE KNOWS WHAT THE TITANS REALLY ARE.
IT'S NOT IN ANY OF THE BOOKS...
THIS IS...?
IT'S A MAP.


IT'S A DRAWING THAT REPRESENTS THE WORLD WE LIVE IN... I THINK.




THIS IS WHERE WE ARE NOW.
THIS CIRCLE IS A BIG WALL, CALLED WALL SHEENA.
THE CIRCLE IN THE MIDDLE IS WALL ROSE.
AND THE ONE ON THE OUTSIDE IS WALL MARIA.


BUT HERE...
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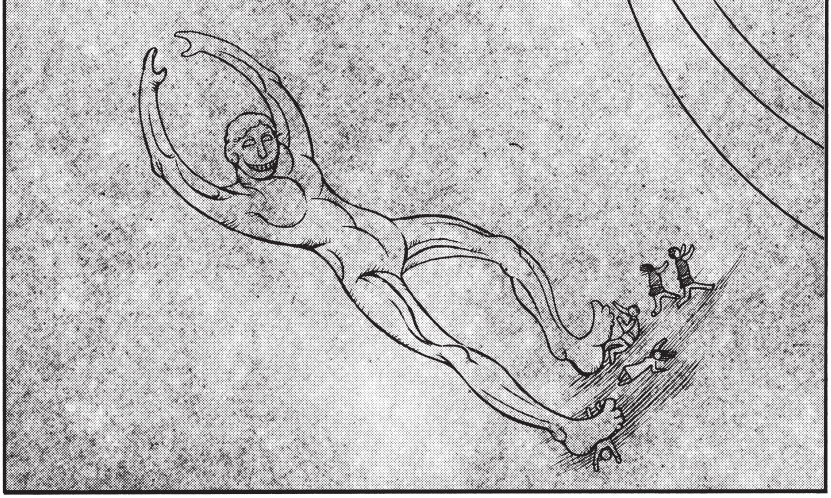
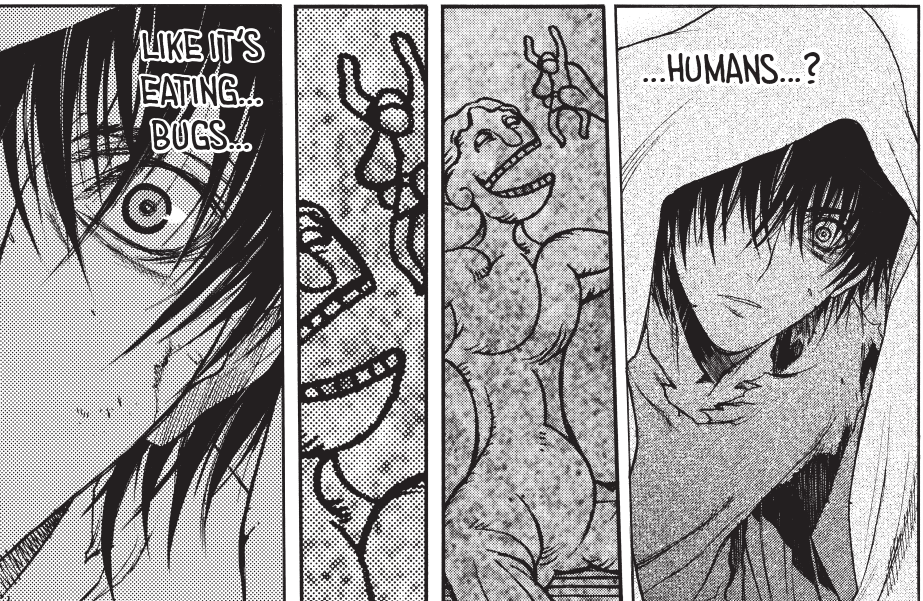
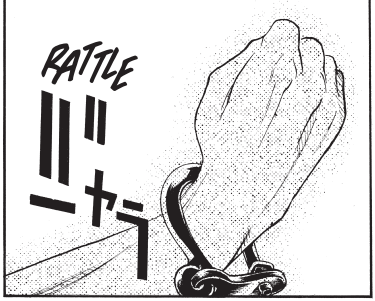
THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE HUMANS CAN LIVE.
...A MAN...
...TITAN...
THAT'S A TITAN.




LIKE IT'S EATING... BUGS...
...HUMANS...?


RATTLE
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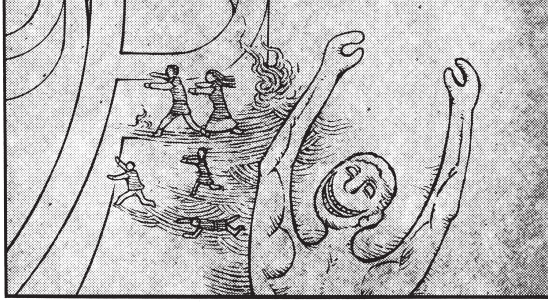
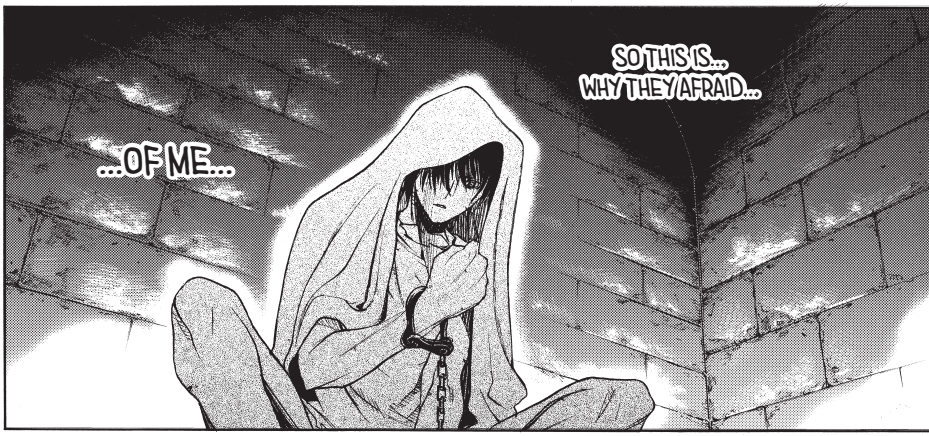
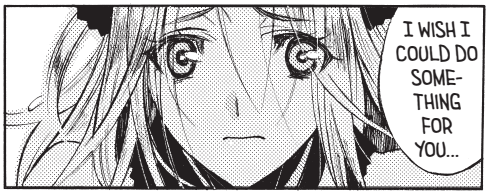
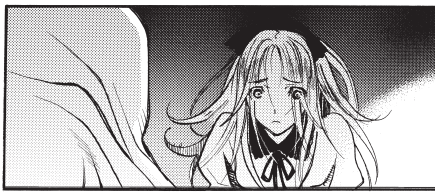


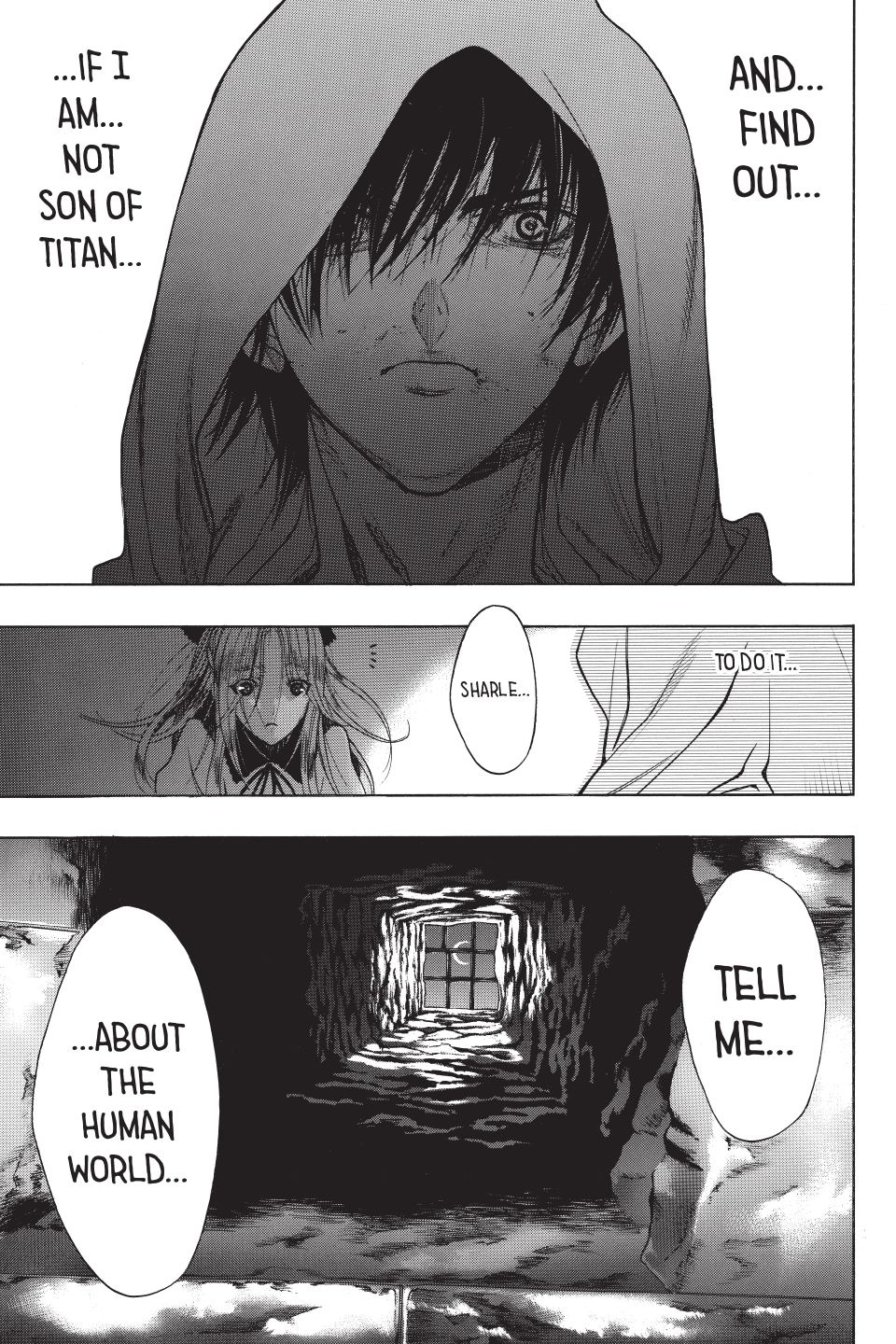

SO THIS IS... WHY THEY AFRAID...
...OF ME...


I WISH I COULD DO SOME-THING FOR YOU...



I WANT TO SEE...

WHAT... IS TITAN?

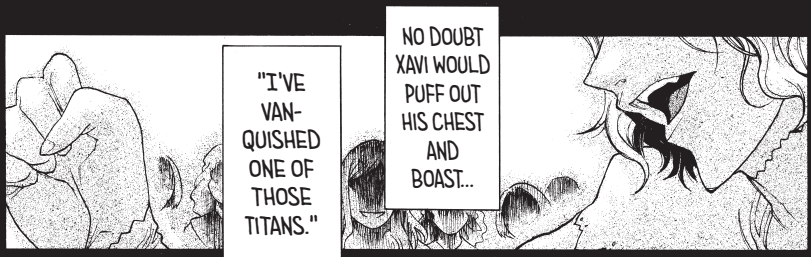

...IF I AM... NOT SON OF TITAN...
AND... FIND OUT...
SHARLE...
TO DO IT...
...ABOUT THE HUMAN WORLD...
TELL ME...

THERE WERE SO MANY THINGS KUKLO NEEDED TO LEARN.
FOR SIX MONTHS, KUKLO TOOK IN AS MUCH KNOWLEDGE AS HE COULD BEFORE FINALLY ATTEMPTING TO READ BOOKS ON HIS OWN.
PRIMARILY ABOUT HUMANS AND TITANS, AND THE WORLD THEY SHARED, BUT IT WAS TOO MUCH TO LEARN IN A SINGLE DAY.
SHARLE WAS SHOCKED AT HIS VORACIOUS STUDY, BUT KUKLO WAS UNAWARE.
HE WAS DOING IT BECAUSE IT WAS NECESSARY TO SURVIVE.
HE WAS NOT DOING IT TO MAKE UP FOR THE YEARS OF HIS LIFE WASTED IN THE CELLS.

KUKLO DID NOT DEDICATE HIMSELF TO STUDY ALONE.
AT THE SAME TIME, HE WAS PLOTTING AN ESCAPE FROM THE CELLAR.
AFTER ALL, HE COULDN'T PUT HIS NEWFOUND KNOWLEDGE TO USE, TRAPPED IN A CELL.
HIS ESCAPE WOULD BE EXCEED-INGLY SIMPLE.
JUST CUT THE CHAINS.
OF COURSE, A HEAVY FRETSAW WOULD ONLY ATTRACT ATTENTION.
HE CHOSE A MUCH LONGER AND PATIENT METHOD: TO ROT AWAY HIS CHAINS WITHOUT DETECTION THROUGH SWEAT, BLOOD AND URINE.

HE KNEW THEY WOULD NEVER RELEASE HIM.
HE HAD NO INTENTION OF SPEAKING WITH XAVI AND DARIO.

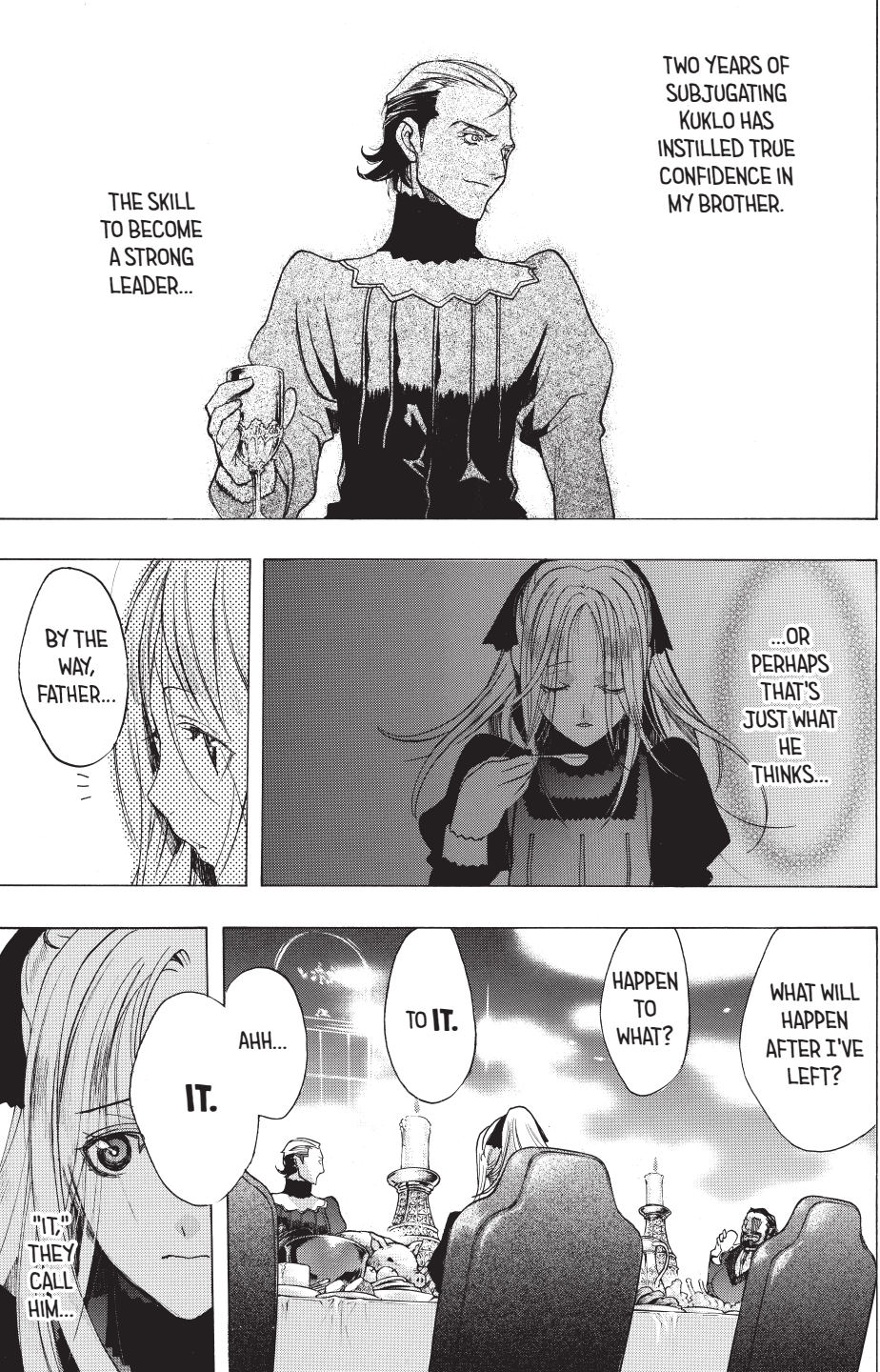
THIS WOULD SUPPOSEDLY GIVE XAVI COURAGE AND CONFIDENCE AS HE STROVE TO LEAD THE MILITARY.
DARIO BOUGHT KUKLO SO THAT XAVI COULD PUNISH THE "TITAN'S SON."


"I'VE VAN-QUISHED ONE OF THOSE TITANS."
NO DOUBT XAVI WOULD PUFF OUT HIS CHEST AND BOAST...

AS LONG AS HIS CONCEITS WERE FULFILLED, IT ENDED QUICKLY.
AS PAINFUL AS IT WAS, XAVI'S RELIANCE ON VIOLENCE MADE HIM ALMOST PITIFULLY EASY TO CONTROL.

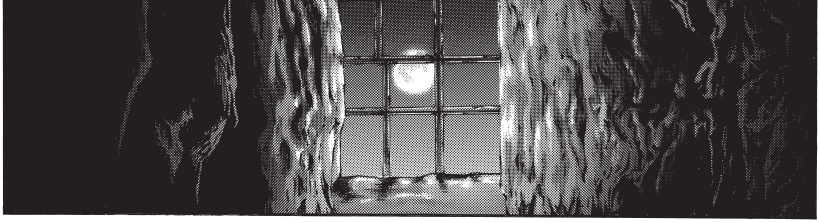
SO KUKLO PLAYED THE PART OF THE TITAN'S SON...
IN THE END...
ALL TO KEEP XAVI AND DARIO UNAWARE OF HIS PLAN.
...IT TOOK TWO YEARS BEFORE ALL OF HIS PREPARATIONS WERE COMPLETE.
HA HA HA!

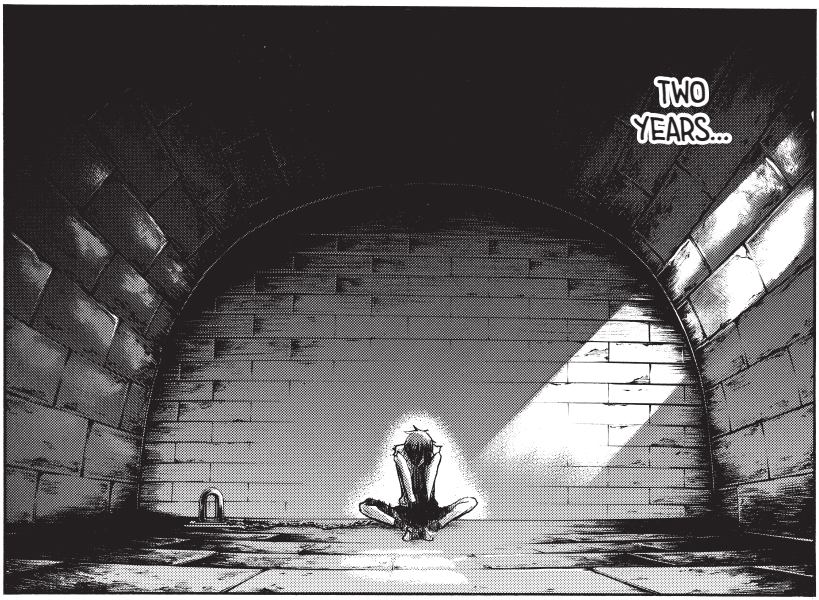
SO YOU'RE ABOUT TO ENTER TRAINING, XAVI.
ARE YOU READY FOR IT?
ONE DAY, I'LL BE **RUNNING** THE MILITARY.
I'VE BEEN READY MY ENTIRE LIFE, FATHER.
IS IT JUST THE INTIMACY OF FAMILY?

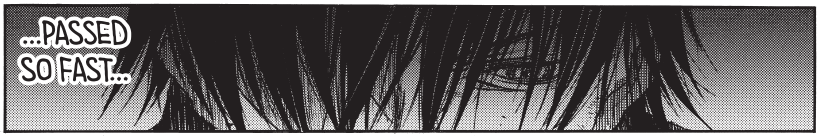

TWO YEARS OF SUBJUGATING KUKLO HAS INSTILLED TRUE CONFIDENCE IN MY BROTHER.
THE SKILL TO BECOME A STRONG LEADER...
BY THE WAY, FATHER...
...OR PERHAPS THAT'S JUST WHAT HE THINKS...
WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER I'VE LEFT?
HAPPEN TO WHAT?
TO IT.
AHH...
IT.
"IT," THEY CALL HIM...

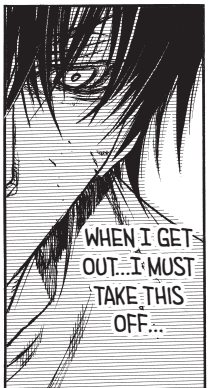
MAYBE THEY'LL JUST LET HIM GO FREE...
I'M GOING TO THE BARRACKS, SO WE DON'T NEED IT ANYMORE, DO WE?
WHEN THEY REALLY MEAN KUKLO...
INDEED. THERE'S NO POINT TO KEEPING IT HERE.
...OF COURSE...
LET'S SELL IT OFF, THEN!
I'M SURE THE BUYERS WILL BE LINING UP!
AND I'LL HAVE TO SAY GOODBYE TO HIM VERY SOON...
BUT THAT MEANS... EVERYTHING MUST HAPPEN ON A FASTER SCHEDULE.
SHARLE.
HIS LIFE IS FINALLY BEGINNING. I MUST SEE HIM OFF WITH A SMILE...
NOTHING GOOD WILL COME FROM KUKLO BEING HERE...

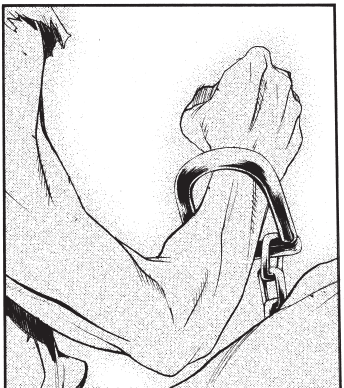
I KNOW IT'S HARD TO SAY GOODBYE TO XAVI, BUT IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'LL NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN.
HAVE... HAVE I?
HUH?
WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU'VE GONE QUIET.
THAT'S RIGHT.
MUNCH
I AM...?
YOU'RE ABOUT TO BE **VERY** BUSY.
AND THERE'S LITTLE TIME FOR MOURNING.
!
THE ARRANGEMENT FOR YOUR MARRIAGE WILL BE FINALIZED VERY SOON.
NOW IT'S **MY** TURN TO BE TRAPPED IN A CELL...
I'M ONLY A TOOL OF MY FATHER'S, AS WELL...
THAT'S RIGHT...
MARR... IAGE...

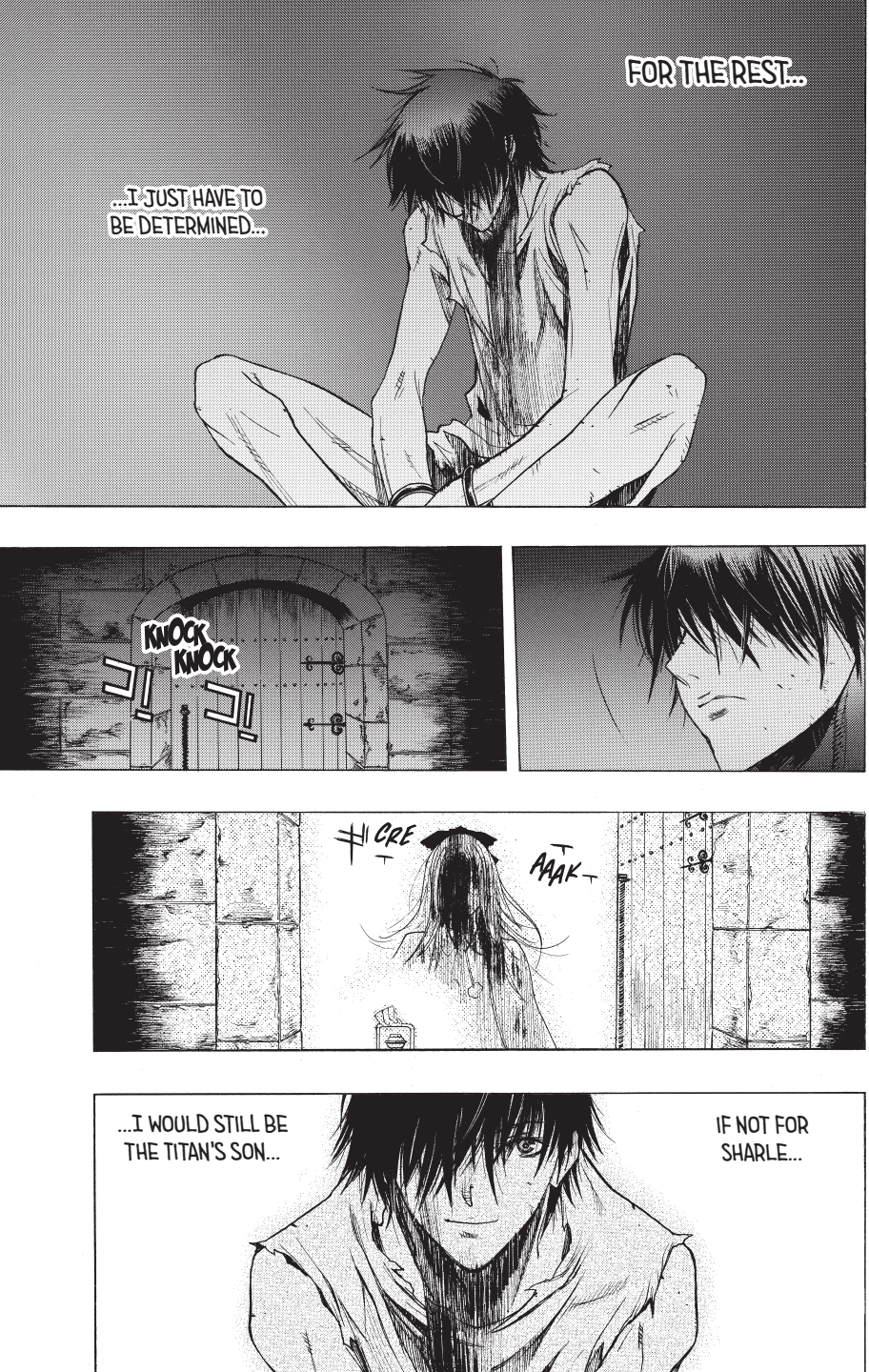


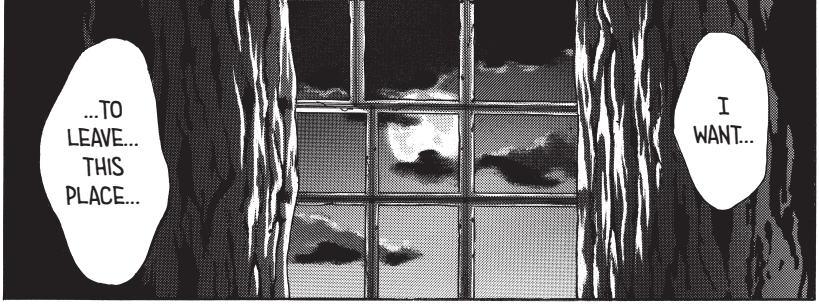

TWO YEARS...

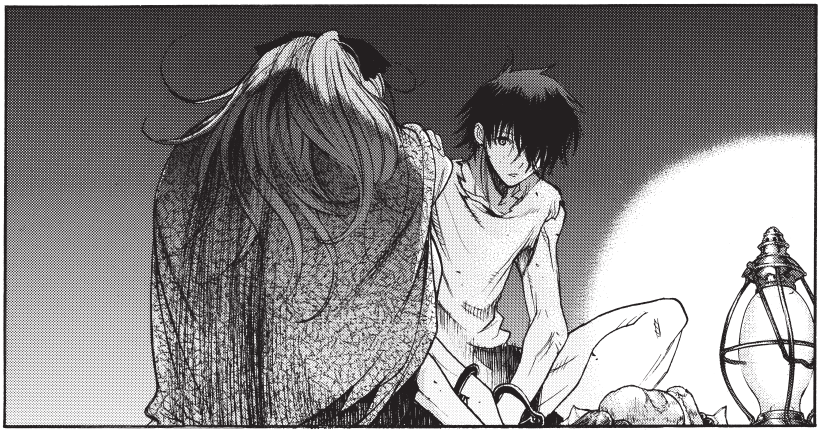

...PASSED SO FAST...

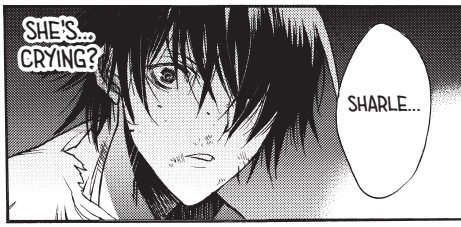

WHEN I GET OUT...I MUST TAKE THIS OFF...




FOR THE REST...
...I JUST HAVE TO BE DETERMINED...
KNOCK KNOCK
コン コン
CRE
AAAK
...I WOULD STILL BE THE TITAN'S SON...
IF NOT FOR SHARLE...


I WANT...
...TO LEAVE... THIS PLACE...




SHE'S... CRYING?
SHARLE...

FATHER SAYS...
...HE'S GOING TO SELL YOU OFF...

THEY DON'T...
...NEED ME... ANY-MORE...
...IS LEAVING HOME...
MY BROTH-ER...
ME?
THERE'S NOT MUCH TIME... I THINK THEY'LL FIND YOU A NEW OWNER WITHIN A FEW DAYS...
THEN ...
...I MUST... HURRY TO ESCAPE ...?
YES... SO I'LL BRING YOU SOME THINGS TOMORROW NIGHT.
JUST SOME CLOTHES... AND MONEY...
IT'S ENOUGH.
...THANK YOU.
I'M GOING, TOO...
ZZT...

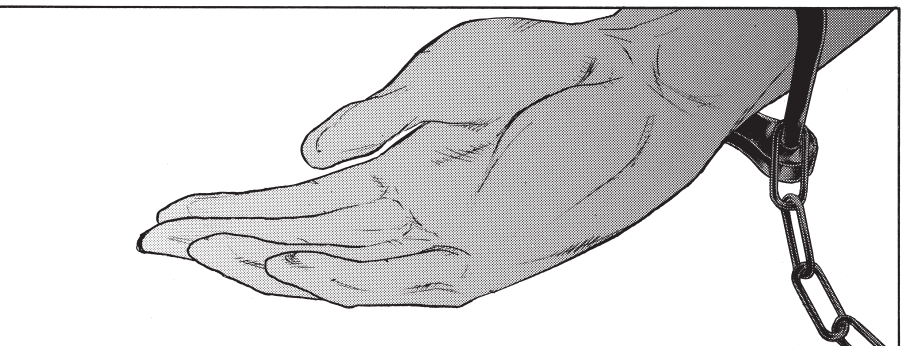
I'LL HAVE TO LEAVE HOME SOON...
I'M GOING TO BE MARRIED AWAY...
...
OH...

SHARLE...
WHAT DO YOU **WANT** TO DO ...?
SAY NO, IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT.
IF IT WAS...
... REALLY THAT EASY ...
YOU CAN.
I **CAN'T!**
I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER CHOICE!
THEN...

COME WITH ME?
HUH...?
I WILL TAKE BACK... MY LIFE.
THAT'S WHY I LEAVE.

IT'S BAD TO BE IN A CAGE.
YOU LEAVE TOO, SHARLE.

BUT... I...
...I'M NOT... STRONG LIKE YOU...



LET'S
GO
TOGETHER.

LEAVE EVERY-THING TO ME.

Chapter 3: Moonlit Oath END

ATTACK ON TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL
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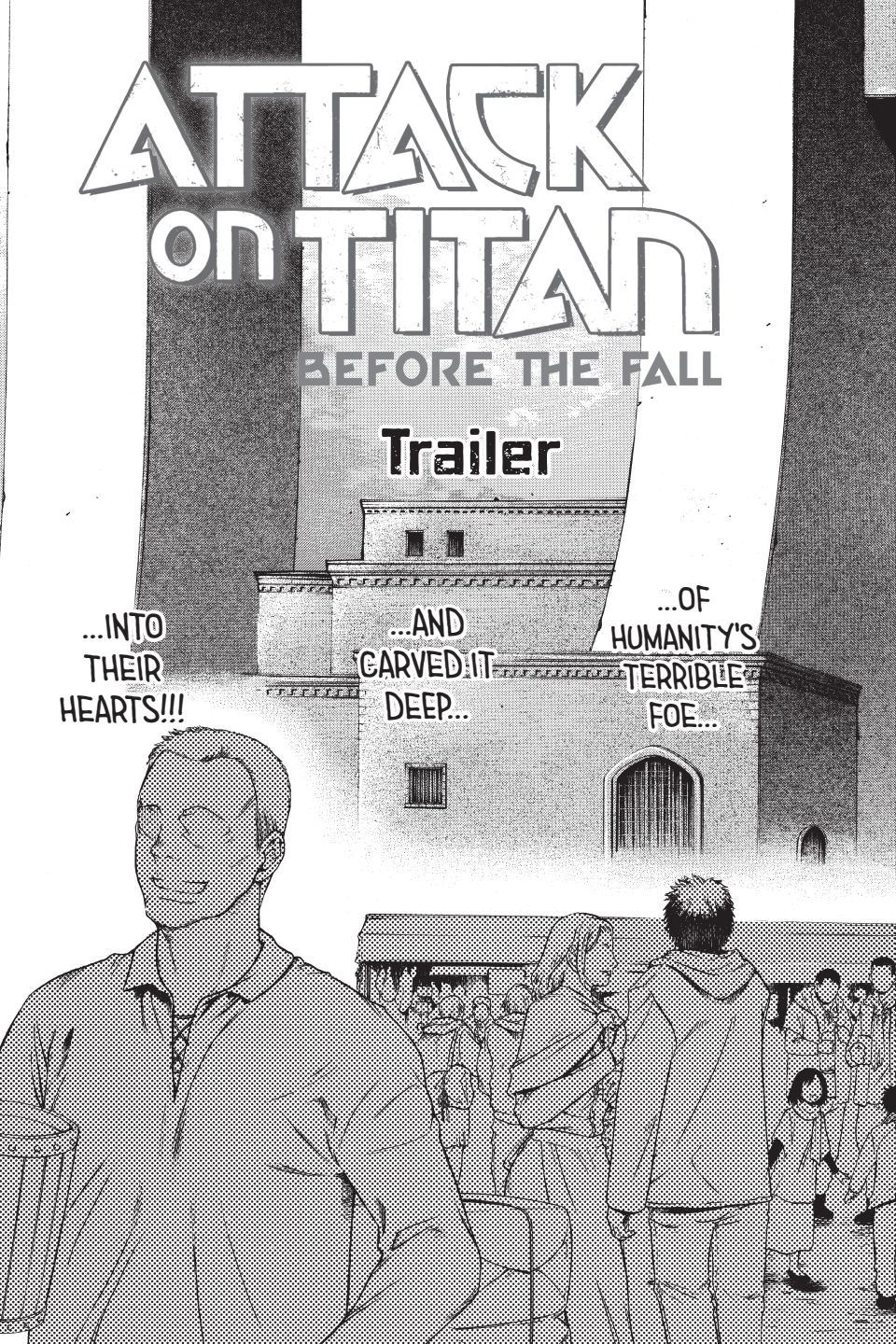
BUT IT REALLY DID HAPPEN.

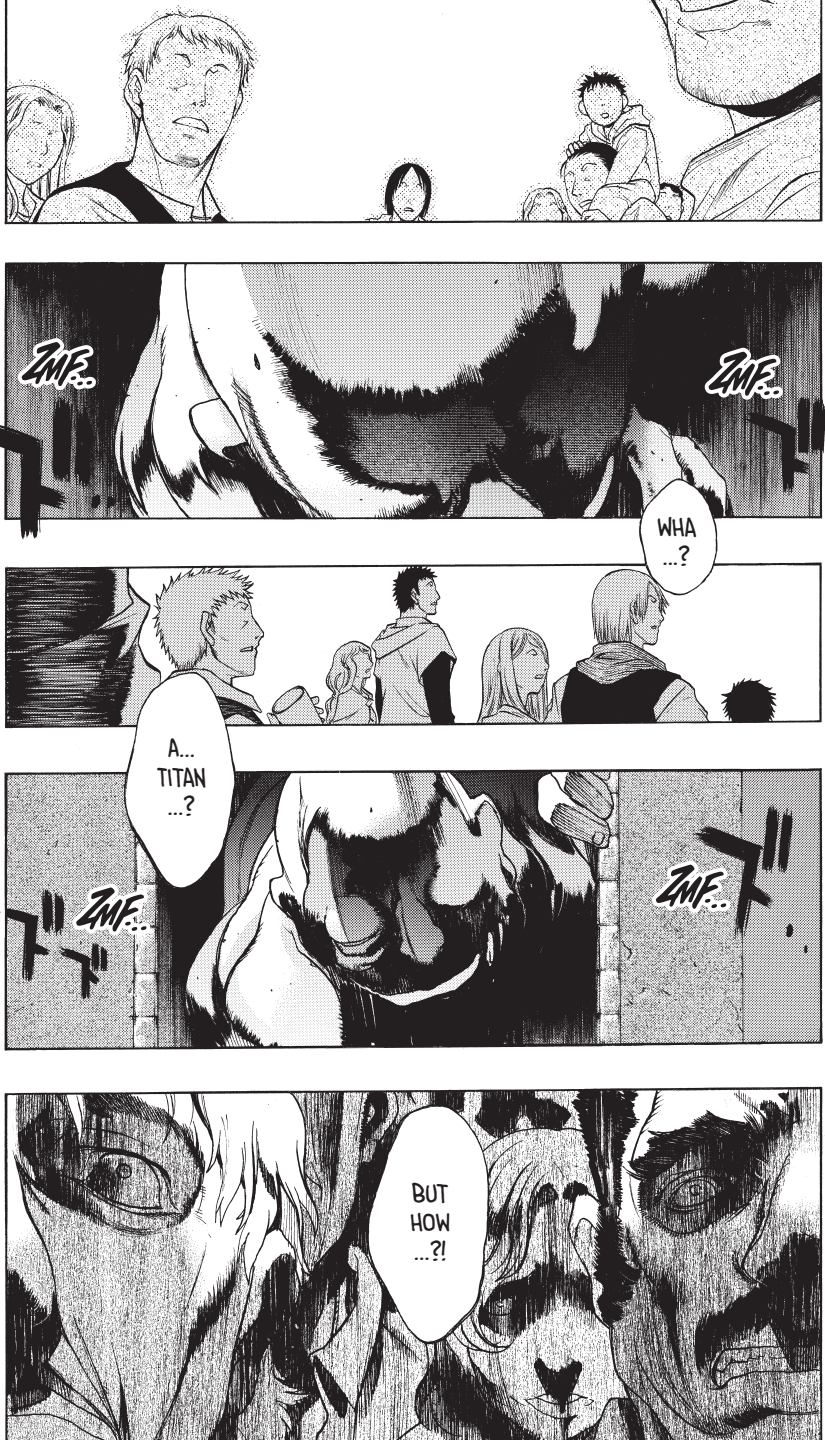
...THE FADING MEMORY...
...THAT DAY BROUGHT BACK...
AFTER 30 YEARS OF PEACE...

ATTACK ON TITAN

BEFORE THE FALL

Trailer




ZMF...
ZMF...
WHA ...?
A... TITAN ...?
ZMF...
ZMF...
BUT HOW ...?!

WALL MARIA IS STILL STANDING!

ZMFF
ZMF
ZMF
ZMF
ZMF
ZMF
CRIK
CRAK
CRACK

AH...
AH...
AH...
AAAAAAH!!
GRSHK
GAAHH

GREAT, GLORIOUS TITAN...
OHHH...

AT THIS TIME...

...HUMANITY HAD NO WAY TO FIGHT THE TITANS.

*This "Trailer" was originally run in the October 2013 issue of Monthly Shonen Sirius as a prologue.

ATTACK
ON TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL

WANT MORE TITAN?

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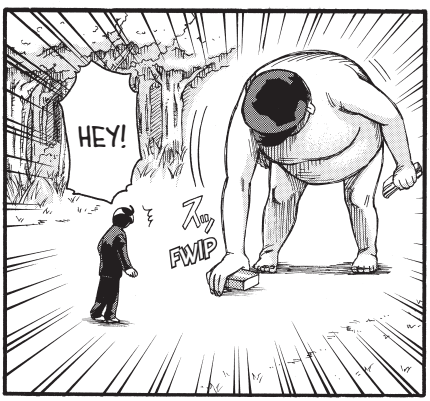
THIS FOREST GOES A LOT FARTHER THAN I THOUGHT...
RUSTLE
I'M GETTING WORRIED THAT WE MIGHT NEVER GET BACK!
... HONESTLY!
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
IT'S ALL BECAUSE YOU DECIDED WE'D STRIKE OUT ON OUR OWN ON THIS FIELD TRIP, EREN...
THUD
A-AWW, SHUT UP!!
THUD
THUD
... DID YOU HEAR SOME-THING?
THUD
THUD
THUD
IT'S COMING CLOSER.
AH!
WAAAAHHH!

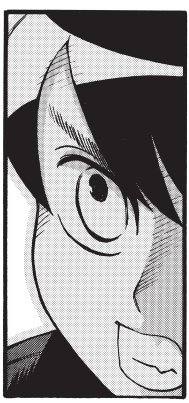
FIVE YEARS LATER...
WE'RE FINALLY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, HUH?
IT'S SUPER EXCITING, RIGHT, MIKASA?!
.....
CAN'T SAY I FEEL THAT WAY.
WHY DO YOU LOOK SO GLUM?!
YOU KNOW WHAT ENTERING JUNIOR HIGH MEANS...!

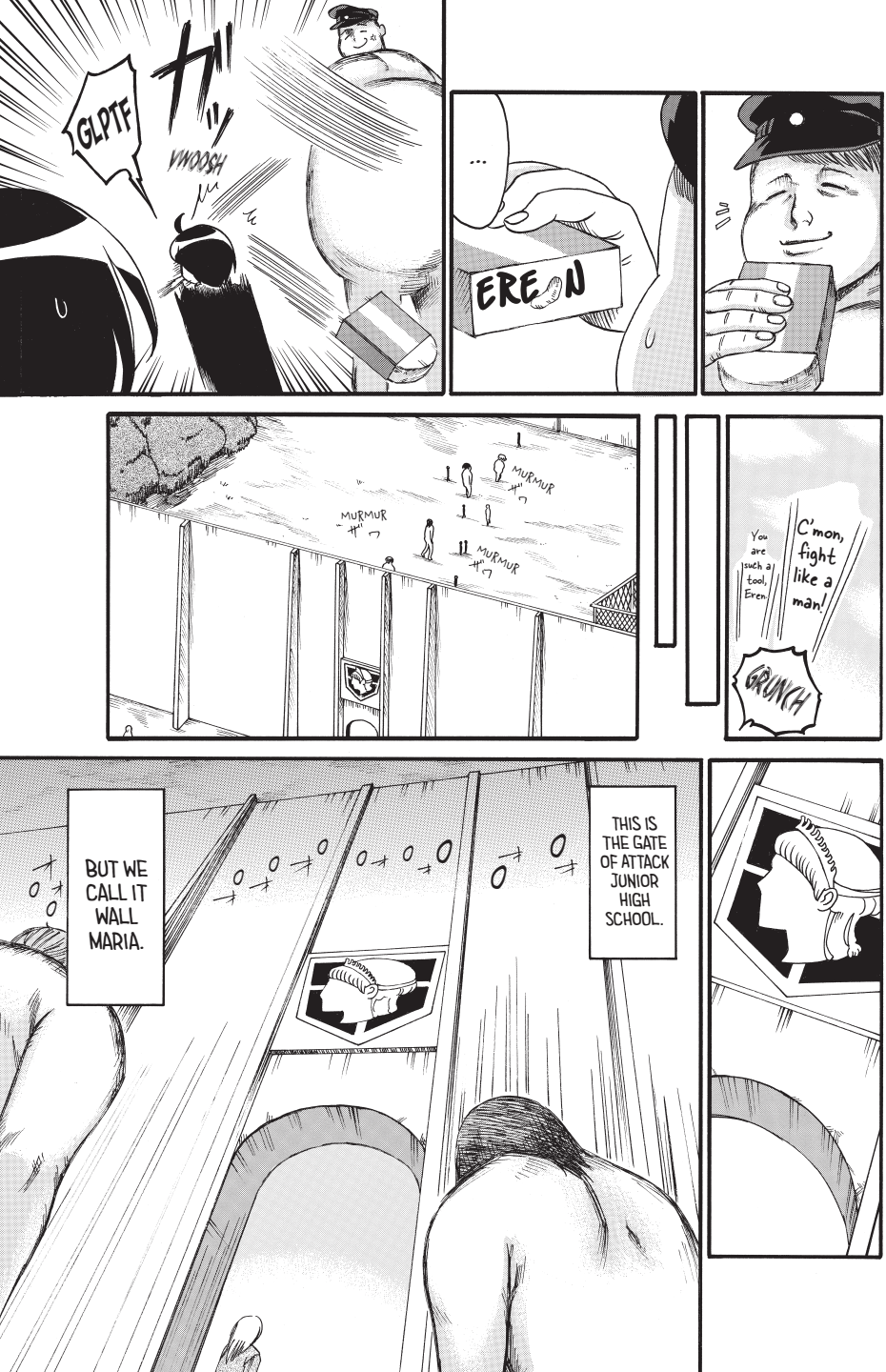
MUNU
IT'S OUR CHANCE TO DEFEAT THE...
TI-TAKGH !!
BONNK
HUSSSSH
UGH... THIS ERASER'S BIGGER THAN MY RAGE ISSUES!
IT'S ONE THEIR ERASERS, RIGHT?
I THINK SO, BUT...
GUMP
ZLIK
ERE
STOP THAT !!
I'LL GOUGE MY NAME INTO IT! THAT'LL SHOW 'EM!!
JUST CALM DOWN FOR A BIT, EREN...!
ZUP

OKAY ...
THE PENGUIN SAYS I SHOULD LISTEN TO YOU.
REMEMBER WHAT THE DOCTOR SAID. TAKE A DEEP BREATH, COUNT TO TEN, AND CONTACT YOUR POWER ANIMAL.
...BUT SOMEONE PROBABLY JUST DROPPED IT.
YES, IT'S ONE OF THEIR ERASERS...
ERE
BUT BE CAREFUL. IN JR. HIGH, WE'LL BE AT WAR WITH THEM EVERY DAY.
Eh?
STABB
JUST WAIT... I'LL PAY YOU BASTARDS BACK TENFOLD FOR WHAT YOU MADE ME SUFFER... MARK MY—
...WOR RRGK !!
RUSTLE
OWWWWW!!
RUSTLE
D-DAMN IT ...
KATONK
THIS IS THE LAST STRAW...
I WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU !!
RUMBLE

DOOOOOM
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, TITAN!!


HEY!
FWIP




GLPTF
VHOOSH
...
EREN
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
You are such a tool, Eren.
C'mon, fight like a man!
CRUNCH
THIS IS THE GATE OF ATTACK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL.
BUT WE CALL IT WALL MARIA.

WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO SHUT UP ABOUT THE TITANS?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, MIKASA?
JUST YOU WAIT AND SEE! I'M GONNA TAKE DOWN HIM AND ALL HIS FRIENDS! I'M GONNA BEAT ALL THE TITANS!
IT'S HIS OWN FAULT FOR DROPPING IT, ANYWAY!
FIGHTING TITANS IS DANGEROUSLY IDIOTIC, EVEN FOR YOU..
...I WANT YOU TO STOP OBSESSING OVER THEM.
I KNOW THAT INCIDENT FROM FIVE YEARS AGO MADE YOU HATE THEM, BUT...
Security Checkpoint. Human Entrance
...YOU DON'T WANT THAT SECRET ABOUT FIVE YEARS AGO TO GET OUT...
MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE...
AND...

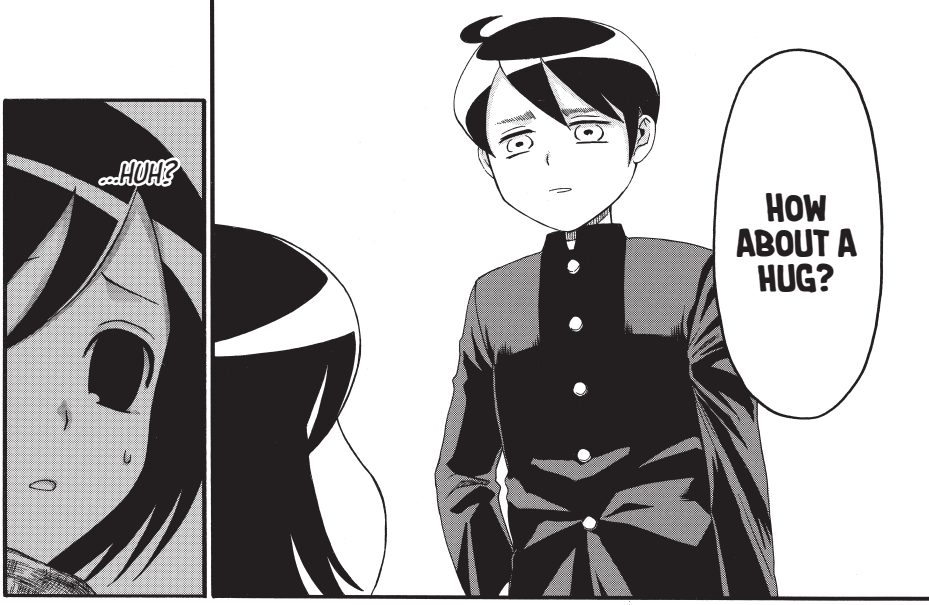
HEH! STUPID TITANS!
THEY DON'T HAVE A CLUE THAT I'VE INFILTRATED THEIR RANKS!
Security Checkpoint Titan Entrance
...
EREN?
MY TICKET TO VEN-GEANCE!
ペロン
SLUMP
WHAT IS IT...
I KNOW! I'LL STEAL SOMETHING FROM ONE OF THEM!
THEN THE TEACHER WILL SCOLD THEM FOR FORGETTING IT, AND I WILL GIGGLE IN TRIUMPH!
BLEAAARRRGGH
SOME KIND OF CLOTH?
GRIMP

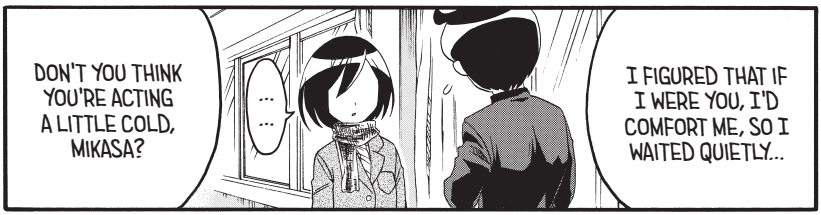
RUSTLE
SHUFFLE
BwAAHHH
もわぁぁぁん
MPH! IT STINKS WORSE THAN DAD'S MUSTACHE!!
DAMN IT! IT FELL ON TOP OF ME...!
RUSTLE
FWOOSH
TUGG
EUGH!! IT SMELLS AWFUL!
?!
WHATEVER! I'LL JUST GET THE STUPID THING WITH ONE BIG PULL!
BUT WHAT IS IT...?
TWIRL
I MUST'VE NICKED SOMETHING BIG!
GAG! SWEET FREEDOM...
GYM SHORTS

スッ
ギュッ
FWUMPH
It stinks anyway.
BURN IT WITH FIRE.
ズーリ ZLIMM
ズーリ ZLIMM
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, EREN?!
MIKASA !!
HEY!! WHAT ARE TWO HUMAN STUDENTS DOING HERE?!
YOU RATTED ME OUT ...?!
SO YOU'RE THE PANTY THIEF?!
THEY'RE GYM SHORTS, AND THEY'RE NOT WHAT I MEANT TO STEAL! THAT IS...
THE STUDENT WHOSE PANT-IES YOU STOLE IS IN TEARS! APOLO-GIZE, PERVO!
WHAT?! NO WAY! I...
THIRL くるっ
...REFUSE TO BOW MY HEAD TO ANY TITAN...
I MEAN, WHAT KIND OF TITAN...

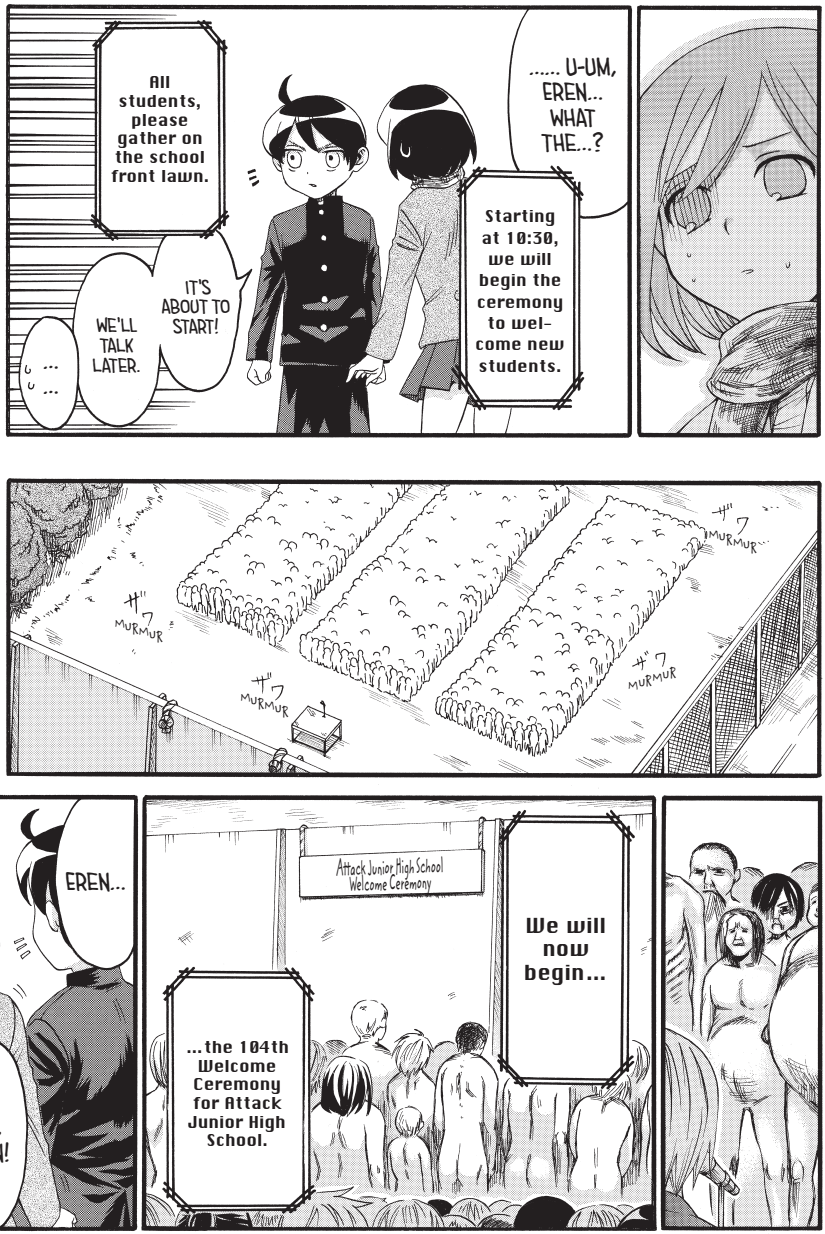
ヒック
HIK
グスッ
SNIFF
JUST LOOK AT HOW SAD SHE IS!!
グスッ
SNIFF
SNIFF
グスッ
WAAAAAH
.....
THAT...
...DID THAT...
...TO THAT...
パアアアアアン
くんか
SNIFF
くんか
SNIFF
AND THEN, I...
ザクッ
SLUMP
EREN ?!
SERIOUSLY? YOU FAINTED?
YOU'RE WORSE AT APOLOGIZING THAN SHIA LEBOEUF.
!!
You'll never become a full-fledged adult like that...!
...
STOMP
プンプン
STOMP

CHATTER
CHATTER
1st Year, Class 4
WHIMPER
...ON THE OTHER HAND, EREN 100%, COMPLETELY, WITHOUT A DOUBT, SURE AS A TITAN VOMITS IN THE WOODS, BROUGHT THIS ON HIMSELF...
NOW THAT I KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, THERE'S A CHANCE HE WANTS ME TO COMFORT HIM...
VWEIRL
...
...
EREN!
YOU FEEL BETTER ALREADY ...?
MIKASA
...
...THAT MIGHT JUST HURT HIS PRIDE...
SKRRT
SO IF I WERE TO COMFORT HIM...
...EREN PROBABLY KNOWS THAT TOO...


HOW ABOUT A HUG?
...HUH?


I FIGURED THAT IF I WERE YOU, I'D COMFORT ME, SO I WAITED QUIETLY...
...
...
DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE ACTING A LITTLE COLD, MIKASA?

...NO, UM... EREN...
HUH?
I THOUGHT YOU BROUGHT THAT ON YOURSELF, SO...
NO, I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG.
BECAUSE SHE WAS A TITAN, SO SHE HAS TO BE EVIL, EVEN IF I CAN'T TELL HOW.



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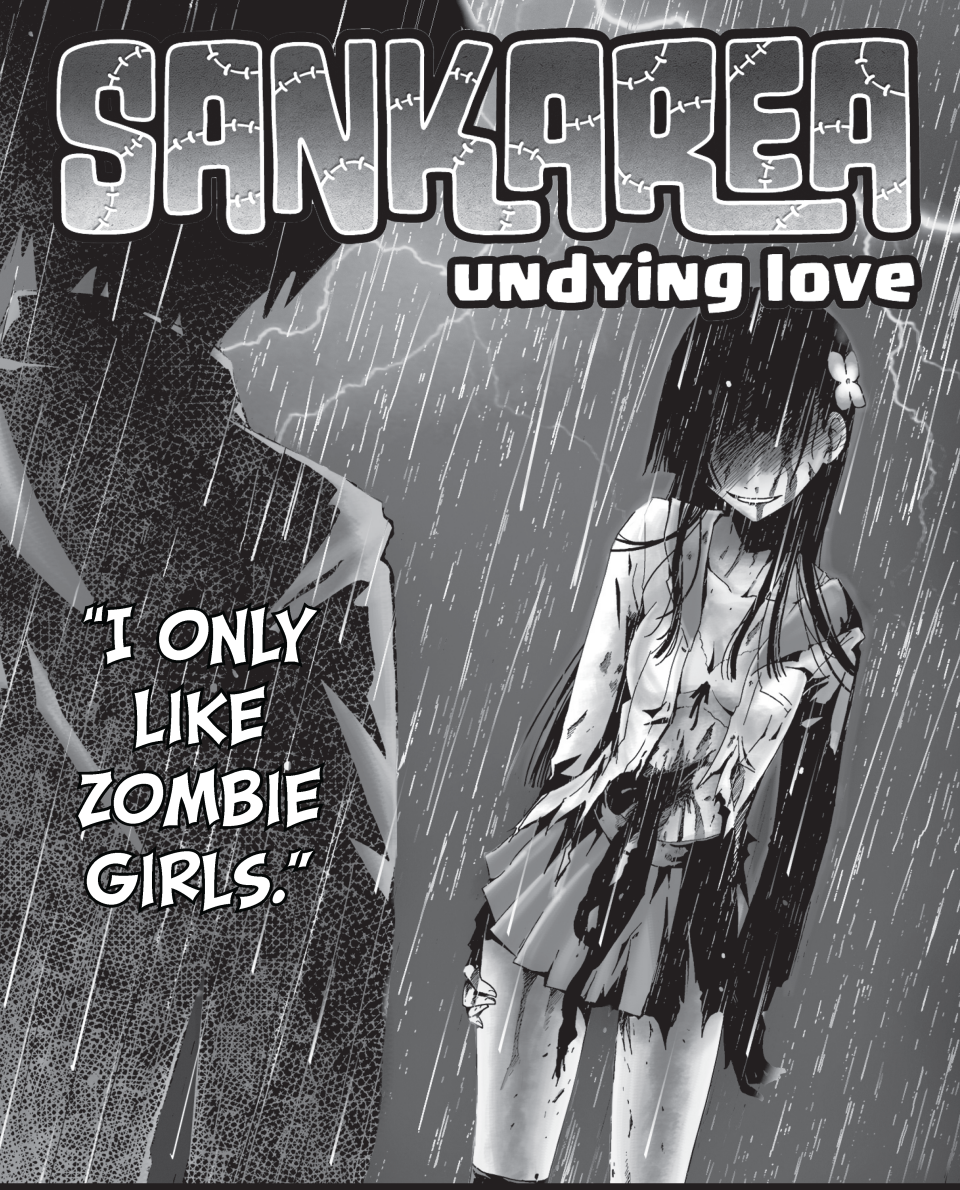

Chihiro has an unusual connection to zombie movies. He doesn't feel bad for the survivors – he wants to comfort the undead girls they slaughter! When his pet passes away, he brews a resurrection potion. He's discovered by local heiress Sanka Rea, and she serves as his first test subject!

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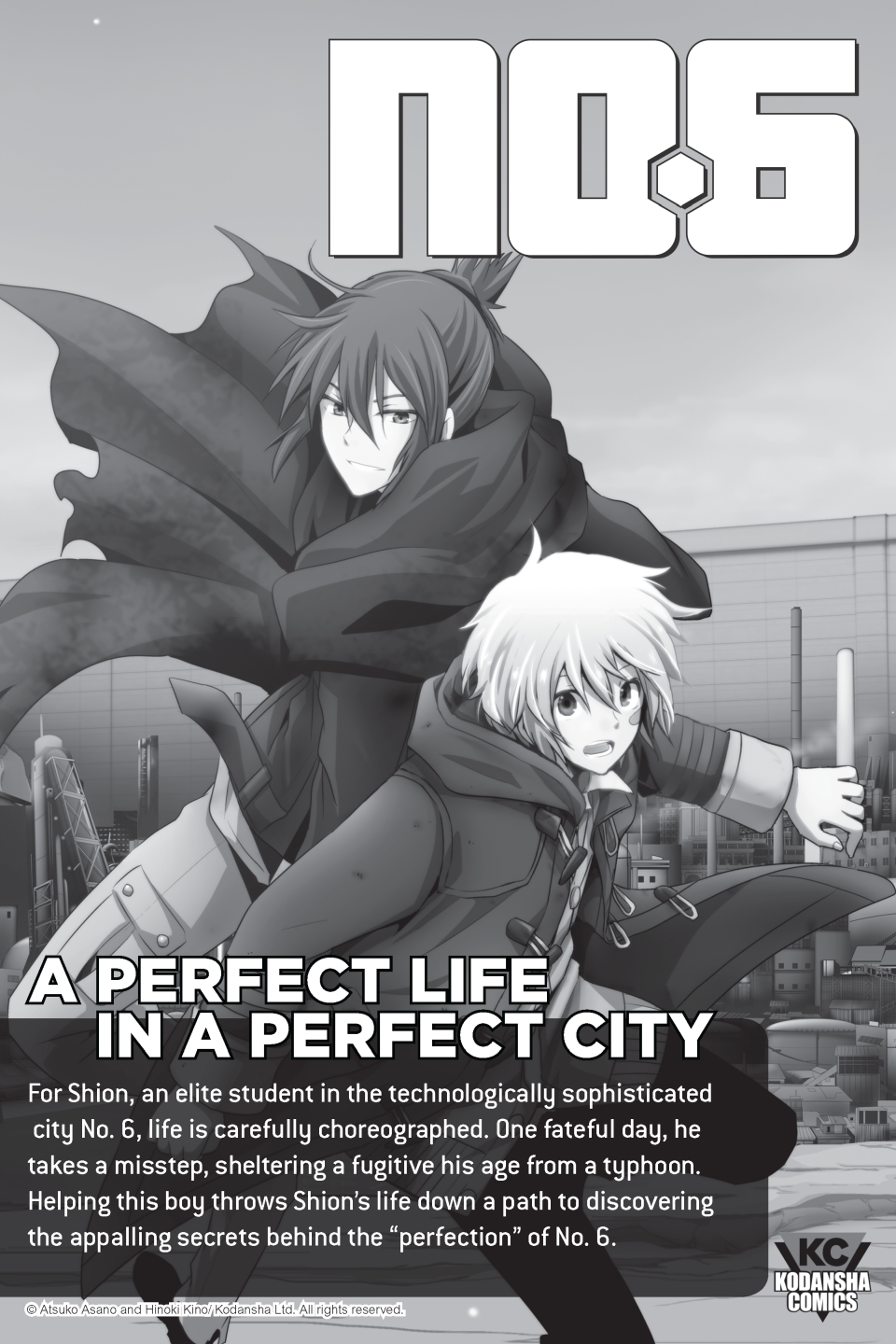

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